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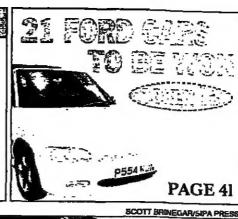
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Blair tries to defuse jobs row at summit

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND CHARLES BREMNER

THE Prime Minister intervened to act as a peace broker in the jobs dispute between France and Germany last night as the issue threatened to disrupt the Amsterdam summit on the future of

As EU finance ministers met to draw up a new jobs package. Tony Blair went straight into talks with Wim Kok, the Dutch Prime Minister who is the summit host, and Lionel Jospin, the new Socialist French Prime Minister.

He made plain that he backed Germany's demand that the socalled stability pact imposing strict rules on countries that join a single currency should remain untouched. But he also supported demands by the French for fresh recognition that job creation should be at the top of the EU's agenda.

As a result, a new agreement underlining the importance of European governments co-ordinating their efforts to create emplayment may be appended to the

would be based on proposals put forward by Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, last week. But Mr Blair's aides said that he would balk at more traditional Socialist French proposals for spending substantial sums of money to create jobs.

Until now, Britain has stayed on the sidelines of the row, since it has left its options open on a single

currency.

British officials said that Mr Blair was hoping to play the role of intermediary, particularly as he was opposed to moves to weaken the Maastricht covergence criteria for the single currency - which would be damaging whether Britain was in it or not.

The threat of the summit being overshadowed by the row grew when a meeting between M Jospin and Helmut Kohl, the German Chancellor, broke up without agreement last Friday. M Jospin was demanding ambitious pan-European projects to create jobs, while Herr Kohl insisted that there could be no more money.

And there were strong indications that the finance ministers would not be able to reach full agreement on the package last night and would therefore have to reconvene today.

Some ministers believe that French concerns about unemployment could backfire if they led to a weaker single currency.

They fear that could mean

By ANDREW PIERCE AND DAVID CHARTER

THE Prince of Wales is poised to

secure millions of pounds from the

Government's proposed windfall

tax to fund a scheme providing

work for 25,000 unemployed

But last night, as the Prince outlined his vision of a "contribut-

ing" monarchy for the 21st century,

he faced a harrage of criticism

from teachers who attacked his

call for a return to more traditional

young people.

interest rates being raised to boost the credibility of the euro - and

The proposed deal with the submitted a dossier to the Depart-

Prince's Trust will underline the ment of Employment on their

perhaps increase unemployment. The atmosphere of crisis over jobs was heightened by big street demonstrations in Amsterdam at the weekend when young people from all over the Continent converged to protest about European leaders' failure to tackle the prob-

lem of 18 million unemployed. The debate is certain to spill over into the opening session of the

The wording of the "employ-ment chapter" in the tready due to be finalised tomorrow night will also be subjected to fierce debate, although the threat of delay to Herr Kohl's dreams of monetary union may, in the end break the

Today, in a symbolic gesture to demonstrate that the project remains on track, the leaders will be shown the coins that will start circulating in Europe after the euro is launched.

The 15 leaders will also begin the task of producing an updated Maastricht treaty for enlarging the EU in the next decade. Its main a frontier-free security zone for all countries except Britain and Ireland, whose island status will be formally recognised - although Downing Street claims that the treaty wording remains too unspecific for its liking.

The new treaty will also aim to streamline the decision-making machinery to smooth the way to a Europe of 25 members. Britain will formally end its opt

out from the social chapter but has asked for a two-year delay before the legislation comes into effect. Mr Blair will also oppose moves by France and Germany for Europe to be given its own defence

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Jospin: demanding action to cut unemployment

Tax windfall to Prince's Trust

will help 25,000 young jobless

importance of the new partnership forged by Prince Charles and Tony Blair's Government. The Prince

said that with the Trust firmly established, he hoped that when he

became King, Prince William would take on the Prince's Trust.

"I think the great thing is that

there is something for him to look at," the Prince told Sir David Frost

in a BBC programme on the 21st anniversary of the Prince's Trust,

the charity the Prince founded to

provide training and business opportunities for young people.

Officials from the trust have

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The championship favourite and

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local hero Jacques Villeneuve had crashed out of the race on the

proposals to provide 25,000 work

and training placements for people aged between 18 and 25. It is the

kind of initiative that echoes plans

by the Government to provide

The consensus in ideas between

the Prince and New Labour was

shown again last night when he

training, education and work for

the long term unemployed.

second lap.

Details of the only executions at the Tower of London this century have come to light after nearly 80 years. Eleven people were taken there to be shot at dawn as THE Canadian Grand Prix in Montreal was halted on the 56th lap last night when Olivier Panis broke his leg after crashing into a safety barrier. The race organisers German spies during the First World War, and a twelfth suffered feared that debris from the crash the same fate during the Second World War. Some of the docu-ments relating to their trials have been lost and other files held by was damaging the tyres of other Michael Schumacher of Ferrari was declared the winner. He said: the intelligence services remain "I am very glad to pick up 10 points but I'm sorry it was in such

Big gains likely in Norwich Union

Many Norwich Union customers will make hig gains when the insurer joins the Stock Exchange this morning. The sale price for extra shares was fixed at 290p yesterday, against 265p paid by members on top of their free

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By DOMINIC KENNEDY

THE model Naomi Campbell was taken into intensive care in a Canary Islands hospital yesterday after taking what medical staff described as an overdose of sedatives.

Miss Campbell, who was staying on Grand Canary with her flamenco dancer boyfriend Joaquin Cortes, was treated in her hotel room before being taken to hospital at 4am. Her condition stabilised and she was expected to leave hospital soon.

As the Spanish media re-ported that Miss Campbell had had taken an overdose of barbituates after a furious row with Senor Cortes, her London lawyer issued an official denial and insisted that she had suffered an allergic reaction to antibiotics.

Jonathan Goldstein said: "Ms Campbell is perfectly well and fully recovered and will be leaving hospital Jater today. She wishes to make it clear that there is absolutely no foundation whatsoever to the story that she had taken an overdose."

Miss Campbell, 27. had been on the Canary Islands with Senor Cortes since last week, and they were staying in separate rooms at the five-star Santa Catalina hotel. A Spanish magazine last

week published photographs of Senor Cortes walking on a beach with another woman. The same magazine reported that Ms Campbell was upset by the pictures.

A hospital spokesman declined to comment when asked if Miss Campbell had tried to commit suicide. The hospital issued a statement saying: "Naomi Campbell is in a stable clinical condition, allowing her to be discharged in the next few hours."

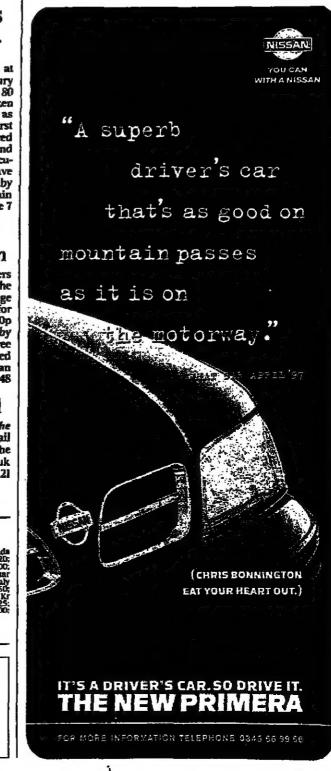
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Naomi Campbell: taken into intensive care after 4am alert at Grand Canary hotel

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Clarke refuses to serve under his rivals

BY ANDREW PIERCE POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

KENNETH CLARKE ruled out serving in the Shadow Cabinet yesterday if he lost the Tory leader-ship contest to either William Hague or John Redwood.

The former Chancellor said: "John is a hardline Eurosceptic. William has spent the last few days making himself harder-line Eurosceptic and they're not going to get many pro-Europeans into the Cabinet if that becomes the key element of their appeal."

Michael Heseltine said that he was returning to the backbenches whoever won the leadership, and

collapse unless Mr Clarke became leader. It could retreat into "some small corner" in its policies on. Europe under Mr Hague and Mr

Mr Clarke's supporters said if Mr Hague won, there would be another leadership contest before the next general election.

Friends of Baroness Thatches said that her preferred choice was a contest between Michael Portillo and Chris Patten, which was one reason she had decided against endorsing anyone. Neither man is expected to attempt a rapid return to the Commons.

Mr Heseltine, speaking on

BBCI's On the Record, said: "Unless the Conservative Party survives as a broad church, it doesn't survive. There is no way in which we will win a general election unless we remember that we have always done that, appealing to a wide constituency across the whole UK."

Mr Clarke said his rivals were ronning "terribly divisive" campaigns by concentrating on the issue of the single European currency. Speaking on BBCI's Breakfast with Frost, he said that the "boring old script" about the precise theological position on the single currency was

One MP in the Clarke campaign

said: "Ken could not go on television and leading businessmen. But there and radio to defended position of twas a setback for Mr Clarke last outright opposition to the single night when canan Shephard, the currency which he patently dis-agrees with He will not be able to serve under William on John

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Ann Widdecrass, the transfer minister who mortally damaged Michael Howard's leaderships and the The The Teaderships and the Teadershi

rations, has written in The same advertising guru, signed up his today to support Mr Carke and appeal to Eurosceptics. He warned The letter is signed by 100 Carke that a future Tory, government supporters including former than a fight have to retrieve powers ters, constituency party chairsness. given away to the European

Clarke both Mr Hague and Mr country away". Redwood were unrepentant over Europe. Mr Hague, who secured; the support yesterday of Lord. Archer of Weston-super-Mare and of Sir Tim Bell the Thatcherine

Union by Tony Blair at this week's

Mr Redwood accused Mr Hague former Education Secretary, denied of changing his position on the reports she had already decided to single currency "day by day". The she had already decided to single currency "day by day". The back him "I have not made my long party had to say "no" to the mild up," she said.

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With relations between the three camps deteriorating on the eve of the second ballot, Alan Clark, the has returned to the Commons, said that the biner conduct of the contest was damaging the party.

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Citizens to decide on future of charter

Five thousand people drawn from a social and geographic cross-section will provide a pool for focus groups to discuss ideas to inject new energy to the Citizen's Charter programme. David Clark. Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, said last night: "Just as the BBC has its listeners' panel, I

want a panel of citizens." Dr Clark is determined that one of the Tories most derided policies can be made to work. "It became something that was imposed on citizens from on high. We want to turn the debate on its head and ensure the charter will satisfy what people are concerned with," he

Forces bias under attack

George Robertson, the Defence Secretary, is to issue a mission statement for the Armed Forces this week which will outlaw racism, sexism and bullying. The statement aims to lay down "basic sets of objectives". It will cover the roles already taken by the Forces and underline the responsibilities the military has as part of the

Mr Robertson said that tackling racism, sexism and bullying was a priority because in every other respect the Armed Forces had an unrivalled reputation for professionalism.

Trains halted

A ban on overtime and rest-day working by the train drivers' union Aslef is expected to cancel 334 of today's Connex South Central trains - one in five - in a dispute over the restructuring of hours and working practices. Services into Victoria and London Bridge will be

Kidnap alert

Parents in Hartlepool after a boy aged II said he woman to abduct his 18nonth-old brother from their front garden. The boy said he threw mud in the face of the woman, described as of Asian appearance.

Back on track

Freight services through the Channel Tunnel resumed yesterday, almost seven months after the fire which led to suspension of the controversial latticesided trains. The first left Folkestone carrying 23 lorries. The service will increase to eight an hour in either direction at peak

Divers are about to begin a salvage operation on a wreck thought to be the richest in British waters.

Thatcher tribute to courage of Falklands force

By MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

BARONESS THATCHER down Hill The battle raged gave an emotional address on the fifteenth anniversary of the end of the Falklands War yesterday, recalling the day when she was told that Argentine soldiers were flying white flags over Port Stanley.

Speaking to thousands of Falklands veterans and their families at a ceremony in Gosport, Hampshire, Lady Thatcher paid tribute to the courage of those who took part in the conflict in the South Atlantic

Lady Thatcher was the special guest at a reunion organised by the newlyformed South Atlantic Medals Association. On Saturday there was an open-air concert for more than 2,000 Falklands veterans. Lady Thatcher told them: "I was at the Trooping the Colour for Her Majesty's birthday yesterday watching the Scots Guards parading. It was a very different Trooping the Colour 15 years ago. On that same Saturday 15 years ago the Scots Guards were involved in what was to be a final battle most fiercely fought the battle for Tumbleuntil the following Monday."
She said she spoke to Admi-

ral Sir John Fieldhouse, the overall commander of the Royal Navy task force, to ask if there was any news but there was none. "Then at 9.30 in the evening some wonderful news came through. The Argentinians were withdraw-ing and white flags were flying over Port Stanley."

Dictators, she said, could not be defeated by ideals, diplomatic 'exchanges and United Nations' resolutions alone, but by strong defences that were ready for the unexpected, and by courageous soldiers, sailors and airmen who were supported by their

Earlier, Lady Thatcher attended a service at Falklands Gardens in Gosport, where she unveiled a plaque in tribute to the 255 servicemen who died and the hundreds who were injured in the campaign. As the service ended, a Sea Harrier flew low over Portsmouth Harbour and hovered off the gardens, dipping its nose in salute.



Baroness Thatcher pausing for reflection during the commemoration ceremony at the Falkland Gardens in Gosport, Hampshire, yesterday

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who had called for a return to "timeless approaches" in the classroom.

The Prince told Sir David that the fashionable approach" adopted by teachers in the last 30 or 40 years meant his Prince's Trust had to pick up the pieces of a somewhat failed system. Educators should look to the Far East, where teachers have not abandoned traditional methods such as whole class teaching, he said.

The Prince's views were dismissed as "negative, bias, prejudice and ignorant" by Nigel de Gruchy, General Secretary of the National Union of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers. Mr de Gruchy said the Prince should look to his failures in his own married life before lambasting the teaching profession. "We know we have got some weak spots, and for understandable reasons, most of them stemming from social breakdown, for which he has given a very bad role model

from his own broken family."

Mr de Gruchy added:
"When it comes to doing his job, which is surely to give the nation a strong moral lead, he has obviously not been good at his own job." He said the

personal attack on the Prince cent of primary teachers and who had called for a return to 40 per cent in secondary schools are disenchanted and want to quit teaching.

But the Prince won support from Stephen Byers, the minister responsible for school standards. I think he the Prince is right to send these warnings

The Prince has spoken out about poor classroom standards before, using a Shakespeare Birthday Lecture in 1991 to call for better teaching of literacy and greater investment in schools. In January he praised the idea of homework clubs, which were pioneered by his Trust, the day after Tony Blair floated the same idea as Labour policy.

· His Trust will make an application for financial assistance to fund a scheme to find work for 25,000 young people. Ministers, who are impressed by the work of the charity, will recommend approval of a scheme that could require £25 million over three years.

The Government's own proposed "new deal" which will offer work, education, or training to 250,000 unemployed people bears similarities to the pioneering work done by the trust with the jobless since

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Jobs for young Prescott ready to Continued from page I for morale at a time when a provoked protests from teacher unions. They launched a survey, to be published next month, will show that 33 per

By Arthur Leathley, transport correspondent

JOHN PRESCOTT has demanded an urgent report on how to give the private sector control of London Underground, despite Labour's preelection campaign against Tory privatisation of the Tube.

The Deputy Prime Minister is calling for draft proposals for a partial sale to be accelerated so that ministers can set out a range of options to take the Underground out of state control. A leaked letter from Mr Prescott underlines the Government's willingness to allow private companies to take majority control of a business estimated to be worth up to £13 billion.

Although the revelation does not directly contradict, Labour's manifesto commitment to exploring a publicprivate partnership, Mr Prescott's reference to giving private business "a majority shareholding" marks the first public admission that the private sector could be given

overall control. . The leak of the letter is of particular embarrassment to Mr Prescott, who left it in a studio after being interviewed

about London Underground for tonight's Panorama programme. He accused the BBC of stealing the letter and attached documents, but senior Labour figures admitted he left them behind last

Labour ran a strong preelection campaign opposing Tory plans to privatise the Tube network. Andrew Smith, then Shadow Transport Secretary, said that the privatisation was "a desperate move by a Government bankrupt of ideas". Labour insists that Mr Prescott's plans fall well short of Conservative proposals to sell the entire Underground, and say that ministers will remain publicly accountable

Mr Prescott will appoint external financial advisers within a month to consider in detail a number of options either for a joint venture or for extended leasing to the private sector. Joint venture plans are

unlikely to begin until 2000. The BBC denied stealing the document, and said it had been returned to the Department of Transport.

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How Naomi keeps in the public eye

By Grace Bradberry, style editor

AFTER 11 years on the international catwalks, Naomi Campbell had until yesterday appeared to be one of the world's most resilient models.

But as her fame and gruelling schedule continue to grow, so too does her reputation for temperamental behaviour. Stories are rife of her tendency to "lose it" if things do not go according to plan. At London Fashion Week in February, a frantic security guard could be seen scanning the press queue, desperately seeking Ms Campbell's hairdresser, lest her absence cause a catastrophe.

At the Philip Treacy show she turned the wrong way only to find herself trapped when the floor of the stage was lowered away. Despite her years on the catwalk, this appeared to throw her completely - she threw up her pushed her way backstage through security guards.

The next night she went for a quiet dinner, but was taken ill complaining of severe stomach cramps. She was released from hospital after 16 hours and series of tests. Miranda Denoff, her agent, said: "Naomi is really fired after a heavy week of shows."

Commercially, her star re-mains high. She appears in the lucrative summer cam-paign for Ralph Lauren, is on the cover of this month's British Elle, and, at 26, retains her glowing skin and svelte figure.

Yet she appears to be continually in the wars, attracting nearly as much adverse publicity as good. In March, she was sacked as figurehead of the animal charity People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals after she wore fur in

she had become disenchanted when a protester threw a dead racoon on to the plate of Anna Wintour, the American Vogue

Even the catwalk photographers do not appear to be on Ms Campbell's side. During one show last year, French photographers yelled "Idiot!" as she walked down the rumway towards them. Such incidents only add to the

Ms Campbell is not im-mune to these knocks. In April, she spoke out about what she described as the "narrow mindedness" of the industry towards black models, citing her own relegation from the cover to the inside page of an issue American Vogue as an example.

Throughout these disappointments and triumphs, she has turned to a somewhat

no obvious common thread linking her various boyfriends - except that they are all high profile and the relationships are conducted in the full glare of publicity.

She had a close friendship with the boxer Mike Tyson. followed by a four-year relationship with Robert de Niro, and she was once engaged to U2's Adam Clayton. Her current boyfriend is Joaquin Cortes, a flamenco dancer with his own heavy schedule of performances, and scarcely the type to play the support-

ing role. She is close to her mother, Valerie Campbell, but has never known her father. Revealingly, she recently said, "I always think if kids have a defect in life, such as one of their parents missing, they are always more indepen-



With the flamenco dancer Joaquin Cortes, who is the latest in an eclectic line of high-profile boyfriends

Saudi judges put pressure on nurse's brother

FROM MICHAEL THRODOUGOU IN NICOSIA

JUDGES at the trial of two British nurses accused of pourdering an Australian" colleague in Saudi Arabia have given the victim's brother a week to prove he has the right to insist on the death penalty. Lawyers for Lucille McLaughlin and Deborah Perry said yesterday that Frank Gilford must be a beneficiary of his sister's will for him to have any say in the sentencing if they are found

beaten and suffocated. The judges adjourned the case until Monday next week to give Mr Gilford's lawyers time to collect proof from Australia that he is named in

guilty of murdering Yvonne

Gilford, who was stabbed,

Yvonne Gilford's will. Salah Hejailan, one of the nurses' lawyers, said last week in a statement that set the scene for yesterday's challenge that if Mr Gilford was not named "he has no right under Islamic law to demand before the court the imposition of the

death penalty".

The judges' decision to demand proof of Mr Gilford's standing was viewed as fur-ther evidence that the Saudiauthorities are doing their utmost to avoid the possibility of the two nurses facing the death penalty. The case re-sumed after a three-week adjournment declared by the judges to give Mr Gilford time to consider "financial compensation", or blood money, in-stead of the death penalty if a guilty verdict were passed.

Mr Gilford, 59, a parcel courier from South Australia, has refused to yield to clemency appeals. The mother of the dead nurse and Mr

fers from Alzheimer's disease, is unaware of developments and cannot have a say. Saudi officials made it clear

at the weekend that the death penalty was extremely unlike-It would be considered only if the judges found "incontro-vertible cyldence of premedi-tated murder". A statement by the Saudi Arabian Embassy in London seemed to prepare the ground for a lesser sentence. saying that if the court decided the murder resulted from an argument that "got out of hand", the death penalty

would not be imposed. No evidence against Miss McLaughlin, 31, from Dundee, or Ms Perry, 38, from Alton, Hampshire, has been heard. Their lawyers insist the prosecution's case relies on alleged confessions they made to police. The women claimed those were made under duress and threats of sexual abuse.



Gilford: must be named

Givenchy to head Christie's in France

THE new president of Christie's France is to be Hubert de Givenchy, as the battle for international dominance between Christie's and Sotheby's shifts to a new sphere.

M de Givenchy, 70, the couturier famous for his elegant, understated style, takes over on October 1, three months before the country opens up to the international auctioneers on January 1. Although he retired from the fashion world in 1995, he retains a global network of friends and former clients who will consult him when thinking of selling at auction. His appointment could be an inspired move by Christie's in its continuing struggle with

Sotheby's. M de Givenchy sold his own collection of Louis XIV and Louis XVI furniture and furnishings through Christie's in Monte Carlo in 1993, setting a world record for a furniture sale. The firm has been in France since 1968. It has built up a network of about half a dozen offices, but the lucrative Paris market has been closed to foreign auction firms, and sales have been held twice a year in Monte Carlo.

All this changes next year and he will oversee the transition. Presentation has become increasingly important in this imagine. M de Givenchy's design and decorative skills being utilised in the marketing of the big art collections.

He takes over from Nicholas Worms, a financial expert, who will retain a seat on the firm's supervisory committee. Mr Worms has also been reelected to the main board of Christie's International.

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Beach hut arsonist sets sparks flying in Frinton

AFTER recovering from the great fish and chip scandal, the residents of Frinton-on-Sea have been scandalised by another encroachment of modern life.

Their conviction that Frinton had nothing to attract the more vulgar elements of society has been shaken by a serial arsonist who is burning down their beach huts. So far this year, 34 huts have been burnt in 14 incidents in Frinton and neighbouring Walton-on-the-Naze.

Police have increased patrols in the staid Essex resort while council beach wardens equipped with radios hide in hope of catching the culprit. Some residents of the town which has no pub, bingo hall, candyfloss stalls or chiming ice-cream vans - predicted the place would change once

they lost a battle to prevent a fish and chip shop opening. After that defeat, Frin-

tonians thought they had held back the tide when last year members of the town's War Memorial Chub voted overwhelmingly that accompanied women could only be admitted on Saturday and Sunday evenings.
Such strictures, they be-

lieved, would prevent hoi polloi from venturing across the railway level-crossing that marks the boundary of their timewarp world.

Bob Newman, one of the wardens, said: "People do not expect this sort of thing to happen in Frinton. If it can happen here then nowhere is

Roger Goodier, of Tendring district council, which licenses 2,700 beach huts, said: "It is extremely distressing to see what is

broken down in tears when we have given the news to them that their hots have been destroyed. It is a most annoying state of affairs. There has been an epidemic of fires and we could have a serial arsonist operating along the scafront"

Set Alan Rusbridge, the officer in charge of the investigation, said: "It is possible people's lives could be in danger. Normally the huts are well alight by the time the police and fire brigade are

One hut owner, Robert Mays, 71, said he was fortifying his hut in an effort to save it from attack. Mr Mays said: have been coming to this beautiful and peaceful place for 40 years and now, as a pensioner, I am having to turn my hut into a fortress. It Fares shown are one way, exclusive of tax, from London Luton. Subject to availability. But hurry, There are limited seats. Call us now or contact your travel agent.

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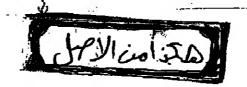
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Greenwich **2000** show faces £12m City loss

By Dominic Kennedy and Arthur Leathley

THE City of London is about be so exciting that his son to withdraw its promise of £12 million for the troubled Millennium Exhibition at Greenwich as the Cabinet decides whether to pull the plug on the whole show ...

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Michael Cassidy, who, in his former role as chairman of the policy and resources committee of the Corporation of London, organised the cash pledge in a desperate attempt to stop Birmingham winning the exhibition, said: "It has become a bit of a disaster

The fate of the £580 million show now lies with Tony Blair and a handful of Cabinet colleagues. Chris Smith, the National Heritage Secretary. said: "A decision will be made during the next few days."

The Prime Minister is said to be keen to open the exhibition on December 31, 1999. The Treasury, though, fears a huge bill if the event flops. Labour ministers have been appalled by the lack of preparation for the show. Some called for the resignation of the Millennium Commissioners only to find that, because they were appointed by the Queen, they are effectively unsackable.

The centrepiece of the exhibition is a dome, big enough to contain 13 Albert Halls. Although the structure is on schedule to be completed in time, the Government was shocked to learn that nobody had decided what to put in it. Design tenders for the show's contents, worth £30 million, were put out only two weeks ago and give bidders no clue what ideas they are expected to produce. The dome will be pulled down after the year-

Mr Blair has told the Department of National Heritage that the exhibition must said.

would insist on being taken to The Millennium Commis-sion is giving £200 million of lottery money and the private sector was expected to stump up £150 million. The organ-

none of it is in written The Corporation of Londor agreed to give E6 million on condition that individual institutions in the Square Mile matched the figure, which has not happened. Mr Cassidy said: "The rest of the City has proved very reluctant because they are not convinced it is

isers claim that they have 80

per cent of that but admit that

good for their shareholders." Most of the remaining income is supposed to come from visitors but many believe that the projected attendance of 10 million, four times as many as the Tower of London gets in a year, is too optimistic.

The Cabinet is expected to discuss the Millennium Exhibition on Thursday, but ministers insisted yesterday that Mr Blair would back the previous Government's pledge to sup-port the Millennium Exhibition, even in the face of Cabinet dissent. "If a couple of people object, there are many others in Cabinet," said one senior frontbencher. Senior Labour figures say that the commission will be told to scale down the plans if businesses do not show greater enthusiasm in the coming

However, close colleagues

of the Prime Minister said that he was adamant that the Government must show its own support to increase private-sector confidence in the project. "We need to get cracking. If we don't show a lead, then it will fail," one minister



The missing initial is from a 15th-century gradual, or book of chant, kept in a Florence monastery. Some have attributed it to Fra Angelico

Lost treasure was on living-room wall

A fragment from an illuminated manuscript has turned up in London, Dalya Alberge writes

A LOST-LOST segment of a lavishly illuminated 15th-century manuscript attributed by some to Fra Angelico has turned up in London, in the ownership of a woman who was unaware of its significance.

A 1430s capital "V" filled with

children praising the Lord, and shimmering with pure lapis and gold, was brought to the valuation counter at Sotheby's by the elderly woman, who had no idea of its identity or value. She knew only that her great-grandfather, a magistrate and benefactor to the poor in Hounslow, had acquired it in the early 19th century. She had had it valued in the 1970s: "They didn't seem to attach all that much importance to it in those days. They didn't say what it was. Just a 15th-century

Western manuscripts department, said that he recognised the fragment instantly: "It is a most glorious thing." It fits exactly into a hole in a page of the magnificent Gradual of the monastery of Santa Maria degli Angeli in Florence. Graduals - books of musical chant - were produced on a huge scale so that, once on a lectern, they could be read by a whole choir. The

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segment alone is almost Ift high.
It was originally one of 20 initials.
The Gradual was separated from three of them in the French invasions of Italy in the 1790s; one eventually made its way to the National Gallery in Washington and the other is in the Breslauer Collection in New York. This example — which will be sold tomorrow for an estimated £30,000 nitial." was brought to Britain by William Christopher de Hamel, head of the Young Ottley (1771-1836), a collector of

Italian Old Masters, possibly after he visited Italy between 1791 and 1801. Some scholars believe that it bears .

the hand of the great Florentine master Fra Angelico (c. 1387-1455). Others suggest it is by his teacher, Lorenzo Monaco, who died in the 1420s, or his contemporary. Battista di Bagio When the Washington example

was exhibited at the Royal Academy in London, the catalogue noted "an undeniable link" with certain works by Fra Angelico of the late 1420s and 1430s — "the quaint figure types, the general compositional arrangement, and the combination of the different pastel shades of colour." Dr de Hamel noted that this one has "just the same style" but that it was impossible to be

The owner, who does not wish to be

named, said: "I'm sad to part with it. It's been in the drawing-room for as long as I can remember." She noted how something of the letter's history had been written on the back, but it was so faded, she had been unable to read it: "It needed Dr De Hamel to

decipher it."

She said that the whole family. including her son and daughter, would be attending the sale: "I'll dish some of the money out round the family." Her great-grandfather had been wealthy and public-spirited, donating funds to the local community, "but there's nothing much left now". Dr de Hamel said that the lost

initial came from the opening of the Mass for the Thursday after Easter. By coincidence, the day the owner left it here for sale was the Thursday

Free bus tickets for day without the car

By NIGEL HAWKES

COMMUTERS are being urged to leave their cars at home tomorrow and experi-ment with other forms of transport. Some bus companies and local authorities will be offering free journeys.

Car-Free Day is part of the month-long Don't Choke Britain campaign. Tomorrow's attempt to reduce traffic comes during Walk to School Week. in which parents are being urged to accompany children to school on foot rather than driving them there.

Employers have been en-couraged to allow staff to work from home tomorrow, or to provide accessible information about public transport services. The University of Oxford is distributing free vouchers for the city's Park and Ride scheme, and is urging those who cannot do without their cars to share journeys.

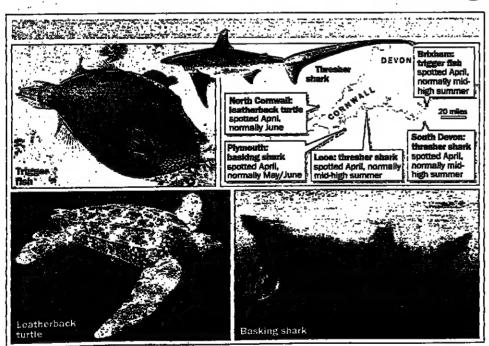
Campaign organisers point journeys are shorter than five miles, and a quarter are less than two miles. Short journeys are responsible for high levels of traffic pollution and are a major contributor to the 80 per cent increase in traffic expected over the next 30 years. Walk to School Week is

sponsored by the Pedestrians Association. The proportion of children being driven to school has doubled over the past ten years, to 25 per cent. Doctors warn that many youngsters are taking too little

The Don't Choke Britain campaign is backed by 400 transport and environmental organisations and local authorities. At its launch, Glenda Jackson, the minister responsible for transport in London. said that the Government's transport budget would increasingly help councils which put forward proposals for improving the lot of the pedes-trian and the cyclist, which encourage train and bus use, and which reduce dependence on the car.

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Warmer waters bring strangers to the shore



By Neil Graves and Tim Jones

FISHERMEN are reporting early sightings of basking sharks, leatherback turtles and other exotic fish as the seas around Britain become

warmer. Scientists believe that changes in the North Atlantic drift, bringing the Gulf Stream closer to our shores, may be responsible for the

changing habits. Mark Nicholson, education officer for the Cornwall Wildlife Trust, said: "A number of marine species you would expect to occur further south are now appearing off our coastal waters earlier."

The warmer water is attracting prey, such as mackerel and jellyfish, closer to shore and these are followed by their predators. In April two thresher sharks were caught by fishermen off Cornwall and

south Devon. They were seen months earlier than expected and, at 15ft, were 3ft larger than the norm.

A basking shark of about 35ft was also seen in April, at least a month earlier than normally. For the past two years 8ft-wide sunfish have been seen long before the usual arrival in high summer.

An 800lb leatherback turtle, usually found during spring in the tropical Atlantic, was making its northerly round in April when sighted off Corn-wall. Mike Millman, presi-dent of the South West Federation of Sea Anglers. said: "You wouldn't expect

them until June." There is argument among experts about whether the earlier sightings are a result of global warning. Mr Millman said: "Not enough evidence

has been gathered to make a hard statement. I would sup-pose it has something to do with the way the North Atlantic Drift is behaving when it meets the Gulf Stream about

1,000 miles away from our Colin Speedie, a marine analyst, said: "It may be something to do with warmer seas. But if you look at the way seas have been overfished, it may be that fish are swimming further to get their food.

making sightings."
Rolf Williams, of the British Shark Trust, said that in spite of the early sightings, many sharks were becoming endangered species. He asked anyone who saw sharks to report the time, date and place.

There are also far more people

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Adventures of the Prince and the Premier

COMMENTS by the Prince of Wales in last night's television interview may be construed by the mischievous as a misguided intervention into party policy. In truth, he was not so much flattering Labour as acknowledging its attempts to imitate him.

The Prince spoke of his desire to create a "contributing monarchy" and he has already contributed more to the new Government than the taxes from his estates. Just as Labour appropriated the Tories' rhetoric on the economy and crime, so the party had taken up ideas that the Prince pioneered on employment and education.

The Prince of Wales, like the Conservative Party, was presented with a dilemma by the nature of the Labour victory. The Tories seem to be responding by striking out for clear blue water. The Prince, in contrast, can welcome the Blairites. He envisages a fruitful partnership, although some fear he could become

only a figurehead.

The relationship between the Prince and the Prince Minister dates from Tony Blair's days as Shadow Employment Secretary, when he took an interest in the success of the Prince's Trust in getting the young back to work. Relations between the two were helped by the closeness of their courtiers. The trust's director, Tom Shebbeare, is an old friend of Labour's Minister without Portfolio, Peter Mandelson, and the two collaborated on a pamphlet. Youth Unemployment -Causes and Cures, 20 years

ago when they worked for the British Youth Council. The trust's public relations adviser, Dick Newby, was a college contemporary of Mandelson, and his essays helped to school Mandelson in the subtleties of politics.

The Government is showing a similar willingness to learn from the Prince's people now. The trust's success in tackling youth unemployment, creating 60,000 new jobs and 10,000 businesses, provides a



As Labour follows the royal example, Michael Gove looks at the parallel lives of

Tony Blair and the

Prince of Wales

useful template for Labour's welfare-to-work plans. The chairman of the advisory group of outsiders who will help to shape those plans is Sir Peter Davies, who is not only chief executive of the Prudential but also chairman of Business in the Community, one of the Prince's creations.

The organisational overlap is made easier by the synchronicity between Prince and Prime Minister. The parallels are many. Their interest in education springs from the consciousness of the privileges they enjoyed which were denied to others, and feelings of frustration from their own schooldays which allows them to empathise with others who have not fulfilled their full potential in the classroom.

The Prince risked controver-

sy in April 1991 by arguing that children were being failed by an educational system that was underfunded and had abandoned traditional methods. At the time, the speech seemed to strike chords both Right and Left, uncomfortable reading for Thatcherite and progressive purists.

Read now, the synthesis seems the purest Blairism and, given their similar educational experiences, that is hardly surprising. Both were educated at Scottish public schools in the Sixties. The Prince's time at Gordonstoun was far from happy. He described the place in a private letter as "hell, literal hell, such a hole". The school was run on Spartan lines with little space for the Prince's sensitivity and spirituality to develop. The emphasis on the muscular rather than Christianity prompted him to remark in another schoolboy letter that

the place was "hopeless".

Mr Blair's time at Fettes, although crowned with academic success, was also less than joyous. He bridled at the petty rules and fagging system, telling his biographer: "At school I was somewhat rebellious and I questioned things. I always questioned things."

It was at Fettes, however, that the Prime Minister had the opportunity to take part in community work of the kind which the Prince's Trust now provides. Mr Blair's involvement arose out of his unwillingness to spend time drilling with the cadet force, but his approach was enthusiastic and he volunteered to work in summer camps run for Edinburgh's less fortunate

The sense of public service and duty to the wider community which Mr Blair learnt at school matches the the Prince's upbringing, and both men's instincts have been shaped by the influence of older thinkers. At Oxford, Mr Blair became a follower of an Australian priest, Peter Thomson, who introduced him to the "communitarian" thinking of the Scots philosopher John Macmurray.

The Prince's feelings that the modern world did not do enough to tap individuals' inner resources were given a philosophical underpinning by the South African writer Sir Laurens van der Post.

Additionally, his social conscience was stimulated by his uncle, Earl Mountbatten of Burma, who combined a rackety personal life with a need to achieve and strong Left sympathies. The Prince has been plagued by constant attempts to pin a party rosette on him but, until recently, there has been no appropriate political and evhicle for his views.

In February 1985, he risked

the Thatcher Government's wrath with a speech to business leaders lamenting "the desperate plight of the innercity areas". The speech was not, however, all bleeding hearts and coronets but a principled plea, in the royal tradition, for the private sector to shoulder responsibilities in preference to the State always stepping in. At the time it fitted no template, but looking at an administration that has placed so many social responsibilities in business hands, it now seems the Prince was

trail-blazing for Mr Blair.

Policies aside, there is one strong personal parallel between Prince and Prime Minister. Both are acutely conscious their reputations will always be measured

against strong women. Mr Blair has invited comparisons with Margaret Thatcher, and the Prince can never escape comparisons with the Queen and seems fated to endure them with Diana. Competition is always a spur to activity and provides both men with an incentive to establish a

In tune the Prince and Tony Blair, pictured in less formal moments.

have reached similar viewpoints after lives of matching experiences

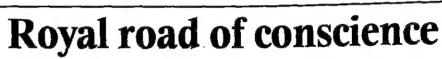
record of achievement.

There are fears among some near the Palace that ministers will gain more from the relationship than the monarchy. Although Mr Blair enjoys approval ratings that Charles can only dream of, the Prince is the one with the solid, if neglected, record of success on the ground. Some close to the Prince harbour worries that everything the trust has achieved will be appropriated by the Government.

Worse, it is feared that the small-scale tailor-made schemes at which the trust excels will be replaced by an unwieldy and uniform programme which neglects the individual needs of the young unemployed.

Having devoted so much of his energies to education and youth unemployment, it would have been curnudgeonly and counter-productive of the Prince to have done anything but welcome

geonly and counter-productive of the Prince to have done anything but welcome Labour's interest in his work. The problem for the Prince is that, having carved out a niche for himself in the voluntary sector where he was in charge, many of his projects and much of his reputation could now rest in the hands of others.



THE drive by the Prince of Wales to help the young and disadvantaged is the latest in a series of initiatives adopted by the Royal Family as their formal powers have been eroded.

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His interest in the social condition of the nation was also an attempt to carve a credible ple for himself during the years he must wait until he becomes King. Vernon Bogdanor. Professor of Government at Oxford University, said yest-

erday: "It would be easy for him to concentrate on ceremonial duties, but he has not done so. He is extremely well trained in constitutional matters and will never do anything party political."

The royal path of social concern was trodden initially by one of his more raffish predecessors. Edward VII. when Prince of Wales, toured shums and spoke in the Lord urging action. He was a member of the Royal Commission on the Hous-

ing of the Working Classes between 1884 and 1885, and the Royal Commission on the Aged Poor, 1893-1895. Edward VIII, as Prince of

Wales, saw himself as the spokesman of First World War veterans, believing they were entitled to better treatment. His brother, the Duke of York, who became George VI, set up camps where 7,000 boys aged 17-19 from different backgrounds had a week's holiday each year between 1921 and 1939.





Britain in their hands: two speakers who are giving similar signals

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Story disclosed of German spies shot in Tower

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

NOT far from where the Crown Jewels sit in the Tower of London, 11 people were shot at dawn by detachments of the Guards in the First World War, and one in the last war, for spying for Germany. The full story has never before heen disclosed.

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Now the details of the wartime executions, the first at the Tower for about 150 years, have been uncovered and appear in a new book. Some of the courts-martial records detailing their espionage activities have disappeared; and the files held by M15, which was responsible for countering the threat from German spies, remain classified, although the Security Service is planning to release some of its earliest archives towards the end of the year.

Josef Jakobs was the only

spy to be executed in the Tower of London in the Second World War. He was shot on August 15, 1941, after a court marrial at the Duke of York headquarters in Chelsea. He had been found by two farmworkers at Ramsey Hollow in Huntingdonshire, lying under a camouflaged parachute with a broken leg. He had a pistol but claimed he was not on active duty. An attaché case under his body,

however, revealed a wireless

transmitter, a small torch with

a flashing device and a map

showing the RAF airfields at

Upwood and Warboys.

The threat from German spies before and during the First World War led to the formation of MI5 under Captain Vernon Kell, known as K. MI5 succeeded in countering the operations of hundreds of enemy agents infiltrating

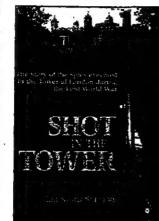
The 11 agents who were executed appear to have had little idea of what they were supposed to do once they arrived in this country and none had been properly trained, according to information uncovered by Leonard Sellers, the author of the new book, Shot in the Tower, to be published later this month by

Carl Lody, a junior lieuten-

ant from the Second Corps of the German Naval Reserve, was not trained as a spy but, having travelled in America and being quite well-to-do, was asked to go to England to gather information about the loss of British ships once the first naval engagement had taken place. He was due to go to New York and was told to stop off in England on the way. His service to his country would be unpaid, although he was promised that his expenses would be recompensed

after the war.

He arrived as an American tourist by steamer at Newcastle upon Tyne on August 27, 1914, and moved to Edinburgh from where he sent a



Sellers's book tells how 12 spies were executed

telegram to an Adolf Burchard in Stockholm. MIS had had information about Burchard and were on to Lody immediately. All his subsequent telegrams and letters, one of which detailed how Russian soldiers were passing through Edinburgh, were read by MIS. When he was arrested, the

When he was arrested, the police found a notebook that contained the names of cruisers sunk in the North Sea and addresses in Berlin. His court martial was the only one not held in camera. He was sentenced to be executed and went to his death "a gentleman, unafraid", according to one of the yeoman warders at the Tower. He was buried at the East London Cemetery.

ant from the Second Corps of the German Naval Reserve, stone is still there.

When Carl Muller was questioned by Special Branch, they discovered a lemon in his pocket which he claimed was for his teeth but it was to help write his secret messages in invisible ink. He also had a guide to the Tower of London. "Little did Muller know when he bought it that he would soon be part of its rich history," Mr Sellers said.

Like Lody, he was shot in the Tower because "it will

the Tower because "it will have more effect on the country and possibly in Germany than an ordinary prison would have". He was taken there from Brixton prison in a taxi that broke down on the way; another had to be found. Before being executed he insisted on shaking hands with the mambers of the firing country.

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Another spy, Haicke Janssen, disguised himself as a cigar salesman and sent telegrams to German intelligence in which orders for Havana cigars were codes for the number of warships in the port of Southampton. Willem Roos, also posed as a cigar salesman. He sent telegrams indicating that there was a demand in naval ports for cigars. "What the Germans failed to understand was that the seamen who lived in ports were hardly ever cigar smokers, preferring pipes and cigarettes," Mr Sellers said.

Roos asked for a cigarette as his last request before he was blindfolded and shot.

The other spies shot at the Tower were Ernst Melin, a Swede who claimed he used his spycraft lemon juice for shaving; Augusto Roggen, a dapper man who had sent two postcards to known spies; Fernando Buschman, who was always short of money for his hotel bills; George Breeckow, who collapsed in the dock when told he would be shot; Irving Ries, a pseudonym for an agent whose real name was never revealed; Albert Meyer, who used to dine in fashionable restaurants and died cursing his captors; and Ludovico Hurwitz-y-Zender, a Peruvian.



A gravely wounded Captain Aidan "Oozy" Liddell being cut from the wreckage of his RE5 after a mission during the First World War

Heroes' VCs recall selfless acts of courage

Medals won by three men who made the ultimate sacrifice are for sale, John Vincent reports

A PIONEER pilot, his leg smashed by enemy gunfire, manages a wave and a faint smile as he is carried away on a stretcher after being cut from his wrecked plane.

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His bravado for the photographer masked a feat of the greatest heroism—and created one of the most memorable images of the First World War. Captain Aidan Liddell died of his wounds a month later. But his 30-minute flight and faultless landing after his RE5 was attacked by a German plane 5000ft over Belgium in 1915 earned him a Victoria Cross. Now his medal, together with

posthumous awards to two heroes of the Second World War, are to be sold at auction. One was to Lieutenant Alec Horwood, whose three-day assault on Japanese strongholds in Burma ended in victory but at the expense of his life. The other was to Flight-Lieutenant David "Lumme" Lord. Over Arnhem in 1944, he remained at the controls of his burning Dakota in a bid to save his crew, completing two supply drops before ordering his men to bale out seconds before the aircraft broke up. Captain Liddell's VC and other

Captain Liddell's VC and other medals, including a Military Cross awarded for his bravery with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders during the bloody trench warfare of late 1914, are expected to fetch up to



Flight-Lieutenant "Lumme" Lord, whose self-sacrifice won him a VC, which is to be sold along with Captain Liddell's, right

E100,000 at Spink & Son in London on July 17. A similiar price is expected for "Lumme" Lord's VC and other awards, including a DFC for his work in the Western Desert, where his slow, virtually unarmed Dakota was shot down by two Me.109s, and in Burma, where he flew numerous unescorted missions in support of Orde Wingate's Chindits. Lieutenant Horwood's VC and his DCM, for escaping from captivity near Antwerp in 1940, should better the CSO.000

Liddell Iso nicknamed by fellow pupils at Stonyhurst College because he was "always messing about with chemicals or engines" followed a routine patrol over Ostend, Bruges and Ghent on July 31, 1915, after a burst of fire ripped through the rear cockpit and smashed into his right thigh, exposing the bone. The impact and shock rendered him unconscious. His RES lurched forward and "rolled on to its back.

in 1940, should fetch up to £80,000.

After plunging 3000feet, Captain aware that the collapse of The heroics of Captain "Oozy". Liddell regained consciousness and board wing was imminent.

instinctively righted the plane despite half the controls being shot away and the undercarriage damaged. Despite the choice of a forced landing behind enemy lines and quick medical attention, he decided to make for Allied lines and freedom.

Lieutenant Horwood'S VC. the first to be awarded on the Burma front, came when he was attached to the 1st Battalion, Northamptonshire Regiment, at Kyauchaw, Burma, between January 18 and 20, 1944. According to the official citation, he led his last attack "with such calm, resolute bravery that the enemy was reached and, while standing up in the wire, directing and leading the men with complete disregard to the enemy fire which was then at point-blank range, he was mortally wounded." His combination of VC and DCM is unique to the British Army.

Flight-Lieutentant Lord's VC was for "supreme valour" over Arnhem on September 19. 1944. His Dakota was twice hit when three minutes from the dropping zone but he carried on regardless. But two containers remained on board and, mindful of how important they might be to the 1st Airborne and Operation Market Garden, he rejoined the supply aircraft for a second run, aware that the collapse of his starboard wing was imminent.



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It's time to end the secrecy, Sir Humphrey

WHITEHALL EDITOR

THE fortified door at 70 Whitehall guards the entrance to the engine of the government machine. The Cabinet Office has a co-ordinating role throughout Whitehall. It drives the Cabinet committees, it handles intelligence; it determines the response to

It is effectively the Prime Minister's own department, as most official chains of command lead to him. through Sir Robin Butler, the

Staff at the Cabinet Office are generally regarded as the creme de la creme in Whitehall. So close to the centre of - a door inside the power — a door make building is just a swipecard away from the Prime Minister at No 10 - Civil Service highflyers police the Cabinet committees and set agendas for

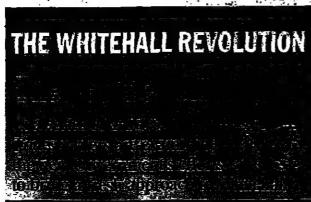
A core role is that of the joint intelligence organisation. which oversees the nation's security. Each week it advises on the state of alert in the country. Its officials work closely with the Overseas and Defence Secretariat, spotting potential troublespots in the world and areas of conflict with other nations. The intelligence and Security Committee Secretariat, just three people. deals with the most sensitive data supplied by the Security Services, analyse it, prepare general briefings and, in particular, focus on the situation in Northern Ireland.

The European Secretariat keeps a close eye on Brussels and has a particularly critical role as the Government prepares for the presidency of the EC from January.

The Economic and Domestic Secretariat collates all the papers for the main domestic resolve disputes that might

But the office building itself houses several different elements, some located at the

For example, John Prescott, the Deputy Prime Minister, has a small office in the building where he can read briefing papers between Cabi-net committee meetings. Lord Irvine of Lairg, the Lord Chancellor, also has a base to carry out his duties as head of



of officials preparing the legislative programme on devolu-tion and the arrangements for referendums in Scotland and

Peter Mandelson, the Minister without Portfolio, is based in this pivotal position to handle the Government's co-ordination and presentation of policy. His presence in the building gives the office its

Ann Taylor, President of the

6 Cabinet Office is regarded as Whitehall's crème de la crème 🤊

Council and Leader of the Commons, is also based here. She works closely with the Privy Council Office, is at hand for the numerous Cabinet committees and, from this office, takes charge of the government business.

But it is David Clark, the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, who will soon be established as the public face the department. As the Cabinet Minister in charge of the Office of Public Service, he is determined to inject energy to the department, to bring government closer to the

His office is opposite that of Mr Mandelson and there could be scope for considerable tensions: old versus new Labour. But both ministers are so engrossed in the business of government that there is no time to linger on past differences. Dr Clark is charged with simplifying government, changing the culture and bringing a new commit-ment to public service. He told

The Times that, in the past, his pies it is even clearer with the

office had been on occasions a sleepy administrative office. He is enthused by his mission and believes that new technology will be the key; producing a form or even a vehicle excise licence at the touch of a button. "Dr Chark said that the technology was "almost there to be able to pay by credit card on the computer and for a licence to come out of the

machine almost instantly". He is convinced that the technology will help to generate jobs. Many small businesses are burdened with the bureaucracy of employing staff. But a one-stop computer kiosk could help employers to sort out National Insurance payments and tax codes.

A new Whitehall committee is expected to be set up to coordinate the various ideas between departments to en-sure that objectives are met. The flurry of stories about creeping privatisation of the Civil Service was not good news for ministers at the Cabinet Office as they attempted to raise morale, with staff weary from constant departmental reviews and market-testing. In a speech to civil servants tomorrow. Dr Clark hopes finally to bury the privatisation reports.

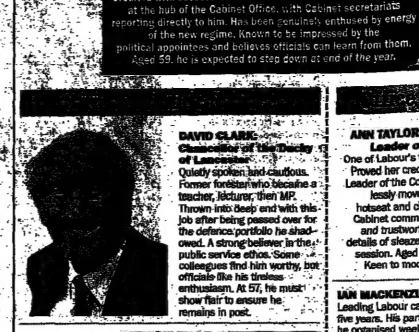
"I must literally have spoken to hundreds of civil servants on a face-to-face basis and not one of them has raised

this issue with me. It was precisely because we wanted to avoid the politicisation of the Civil Service that we Council and we exempted three posts. It is crapy to have a chief of staff of the Prime Minister who is allowed only to advise. There thay well be executive functions he has to take on in the interface bechief press officer it is inconcervable that the press secre-

tary coold not run his own press office." Nonetheless, should there still be any lingering doubts, he is considering putting the Civil Service code our a statutory basis. This sets out the basis of the relationship between civil servaints and officials and, if it became a Civil Service Act, any blurring of roles would be open to chall-

enge in law. Or Clark is committed to open government and believes that the Freedom of Information Bill will change the culture of parliamentary and political life. The White Paper is due next month, and a draft Bill is expected in the autumn, to allow the fullest consultation on the issue.

He has also brought a fresh eye to the deregulation agen-da. Dr Clark believes that red tape and regulations will be improved only if ministers and officials are proactive in Europe and suggest reforms. He is to meet a number of his European counterparts in the coming weeks to discuss the issue, and hopes that the British standard can be more frequently imposed on Europe. For example, Dr Clark hopes that the new Food Standards Agency will provide a blueprint for the rest of



DAVID CLARKteacher, lecturer, then MP. Thrown into deep end with this

SIR ROBIN BUTLER: Cabinet Secretary

Credited with successful transition of the new Government. He is

LEADERS OF REFORM

the defence portfollo he shadowed. A strong believer in the public service ethos. Some colleagues find him worthy, but officials like his tireless enthusiasm. At 57, he must show flair to ensure he

PETER KILFOYLE

Cheerful extravert aged 50 who represents one of poorest constituencies, Liverpool Walton. From a family of 14 children, he became a labourer, teacher and partyorganiser. As a backbencher, campaigned against quangos stuffed with Tory emen and is determined to make

public life accessible to ordinary people. and become their champion. But must think before speaking out in public. ANDREW LAPPIN: special adviser

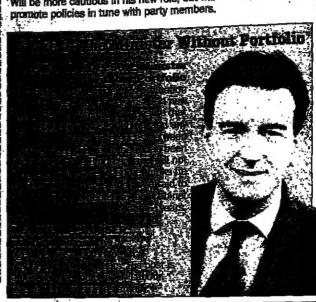


advice and keep in touch with party and lobby groups. ROBIN MOUNTFIELD:

Permanent Secretary Realises that Dr Clark must make an impact and has enterprising plans to keep his ministers in the public eye. Aged 57, deeply cautious but open to persuasion

Aged 59, he is expected to step down at end of the year. THE REAL PROPERTY COMMENTS AMN TAYLOR: President and Leader of the Common One of Labour's fastest rising stars. Proved her credentials as Shadow Leader of the Commons and effortlessly moved into government hotseat and chairmanship of key Cabinet committees. Dependable and trustworthy, refused to leak details of sleaze inquiry during last session. Aged 49, mother of two. Keen to modernise Parliament

IAN MACKENZIE: special adviser Leading Labour campaigner who has worked for Mrs Taylor for five years. His party base is in Lewisham, but during the election he organised weekend canvassing of marginal seats. Will be more cautious in his new role, but will



The In-Tray

 Will the Cabinet Office be made an official Department for the Prime Minister? Early signs are that staff are being used for more cross-departmental projects and Cabinet Office is taking on more vigorous co-ordinating role.

month. What will be its scope? Watch out for attempts by some

- Quangos and public appointments: can a wider spread of candidates be brought forward to make public bodies less the domain of the middle classes?
- . The future of Next Steps agen-I cies. Will Ministers release some agencies for privatisation? Will chief executives be allowed to White Paper on the Freedom of I speak out on matters of policy?
- Ministers insist they will not be I driven by dogma, but they might just be pushed by the Treasury.

Oxford English graduate aged 24 from Northern Ireland, Worked for Dr Clark on defence brief in opposition. Will provide political

- The derided Citizen's Charter programme is to have a new lease of life. People's panels to decide its future are to be set up.
- Ministers will try to calm the furore over alleged politicisation of the Civil Service. Ministers 1 might introduce a Civil Service Bill to put present guidelines for

maintaining impertiality of I officials on a statutory footing.

- Cutting red tape will continue but with a new emphasis on the deregulation unit has been geared to business and not to the
- Simplifying government, The efficiency unit is being unleashed I throughout Whitehall, looking for savings and better working I methods, Expect an expansion on I autumn.
 I use of technology to provide

I public services and cut paperwork. One-stop computer kiosks are the way forward.

 Modernising government and Parliament, Cleaning up politics. Ministers have already set up a review of parliamentary privilege. The future of party political funding will be decided soon, in connection with the future of the Committee on Standards in Public Life, whose chairman,

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OXFORD UNIVERSITY has

opened its own X file. A

graduate student at Balliol

Andrew Clark, 21, is study-ing the way in which different

views of the world have influ-

enced attitudes towards the search for intelligent life on other planets. Oxford's philos-

ophy department is funding

Mr Clark, who graduated last year with a first from Balliol in physics and philoso-

phy, was inspired to write the thesis by Hamlet's line. There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio.

Than are dreamt of in your

philosophy." The words made him realise that no one had

attempted a proper academic

discussion of the philosophy of

He has been investigating

the search for ET.

College is writing a thesis on the philosophy of extra-terrestrial life.

hrey Philosophy student joins the search for life out there

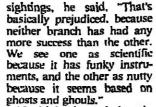
of the FBI agents Mulder and Scully of The X Files. beavering away in the Bodleian library and surfing the Internet to find evidence of the way we have looked for life on other planets.

"In every society, people have looked for extra-terrestrials according to their own preconceptions. During the Cold War ... the Soviets were basically looking for the Communist Party Intergalactic, the Great Soviet in the Sky. They felt that given the laws of historical materialism, there had to be an advanced communist culture 'out there'.

The Americans took a very different approach, setting up radio telescopes to listen for deliberate messages from alien life. It was as if they were waiting to be contacted by Radio Free Andromeda."

He said that hostile anitudes towards aliens in the arts and the media, from The War of the Worlds to the recent films Independence Day and Mars Attacki, had been conditioned by a fear of dictatorship. In the 19th-century philosophers used the possible existence of aliens to argue for or against the exis-

Mr Clark also hopes to show how different methods of looking for alien life have developed in tune with cultural and philosophical attitudes Scientists tend to be respectful of looking for aliens with radio-telescopes, but not of utology, or X Files-style inves-



He thinks that only by tak-ing a scientific approach to ufology can we hope to find a way of answering Professor Stephen Hawking's "Flying Saucer Puzzle": why, if it is likely there is life elsewhere in the universe, does it not seem to have visited us?

☐ Charles Fort, who gave his name to Forteanism, the study of unexplained and paranormal events, will be commemorated with a plaque at the house in Marchmont Street, Bloomsbury, central London, where he lived from 1921 to 1928. The journal Fortean Times is sponsoring the plaque. Fort, who was born in New York in 1874, died in 1932.



Linda Lampenius was reportedly spotted on the television show Eurotrash

Model violinist given lead role by Lloyd Webber

A LITTLE-KNOWN violinist with model looks is expect-ed to star at Andrew Lloyd Webber's private music festival. Linda Lampenius, 27, reportedly came to the composer's notice after she appeared on the Channel 4 programme Eurotrash,

Lampenius, from Finland, is to adopt the stagename Linda Brava when her first British album, Violator. comes out later this year. She came to prominence last autumn when a cameraman picked her out while she was playing for the Finnish National Orchestra. She trained at the Sibelius Academy in Helsinki before playing first violin for the Helsinki Opera

Lord Lloyd-Webber, who last week conceded that the days of the big musical could be numbered after he forecast losses of up to £10 million for his Really Useful Group, has staged the festival at his Hampshire home.

than 20 years. It is an informal gathering for friends and artistic colleagues and has often been used by the composer as a testing ground for new works.

Lampenius is expected to play a leading role in a performance of his composition Metal Philharmonic. She is also negotiating for a television talkshow in America, has appeared in fashion shows and been elected to Helsinki City Council.

Her growing profile is expected to fuel the debate over how classical music should be promoted. The teenage violinist Vanessa-Mae has been derided by some for her raunchy image. Barry Millington, music

critic of The Times, said: "Critics will ask whether it is legitimate to exploit sex as a device to market classical music or whether classical musicians should remain above such populist

ET, phone again, the line is clear

BY NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

THE search for intelligent life elsewhere in the universe has just taken a big step forward. The most powerful system for analysing signals from space world's largest radio teletory in Puerto Rico.

We have been searching the sky for signs of extraterrestrials with continously increasing capability," said Professor Stuart Bowyer, from the University of California at Berkeley, who began the search 20 years ago. "So far, nothing. We are not giving

The new equipment, called Serendip IV (Search for Extra-terrestrial Radio Emissions from Nearby Developed Intelligent Populations) is 40 times more powerful than earlier

searches, because of sophisticated computer programs that can sort through radio signals. All signals detected so far have originated from human has been installed at the sources such as aircraft and

satellites: Jeff Cobb. who is: responsible for handling the gent signals all the time. Unfortunately they have all

168 million frequency channels every 1.7 seconds, analysing each for radio intensities above background levels. Selections are studied to eliminate any caused by interference, then the remainder are examined more closely. Support for the search has come from private sources and companies such as Toshiba. Intel and Sun Microsystems.

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New approach would protect rural land and promote towns

By NICK NUTTALL, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH homes are the most environmentally damaging in Europe, wasting resources and encouraging pollution and urban sprawl, according in researchers.

A third of the nation's energy is used to heat and light homes and more than a third of the water taken from rivers. lakes and boreholes is used to flush lavatories, wash up and water gardens, says the report funded by the Joseph Rowntree Trust and the National Housing Forum.

Homes are ten times more energy inefficient than modern houses on the Continent. Water economy measures, such as low-flush lavatories, and water butts to collect rain, are a rarity. New housing is swallowing up to 11.000 hectares (27,200 acres) a year, mainly on the edge of towns.

The report, by researchers at centres including De Montfort University and the development consultants EDAW, says that postwar government policy has protected the green belt, national parks and areas of outstanding natural beauty from great harm. But "policies have been less successful in checking housing growth in non-greenbelt areas accessible to towns". The researchers

believe that measures are needed to reverse this trend, including swift action by the Government to group together derelict and abandoned sites to create landbanks in inner cities. This would stop developers saying that they needed to build in rural areas because land was not readily available for large schemes in

town and city centres.

The report says that homes that meet minimum environmental standards should receive kitemarks, like those given to goods by the British Standards Institute. Building

Leading article

regulations should be tightened to encourage energy efficiency through measures such as double-glazing.

The authors argue that furilies have little opportunity to buy homes that are resource-efficient. A good example, they say, is a five-bedroom house in Oxford that generates all the electricity it needs from 48 south-facing solar panels.

There is praise, too, for the electricity company Manweb. It thought that additional cables would have to be installed in Holyhead, North Wales, to

reinforce the system. Instead, it achieved a 10 per cent cut in peak demand by giving energy audits and free energysaving devices to householders. This has enabled Manweb to avoid the cost of new cables for the foreseeable future.

The report claims that energy-saving schemes in Britain are fragmented and underresourced. It says there should be encouragement for city car clubs, which operate in about 250 cities in Germany, Switzerland, Austria and The Netherlands. Club members can rent cars cheaply.

In Bremen, north Germany, a neighbourhood without garages and street parking is being built for people who do not own or want to own a car. It has been heavily oversubscribed. Copenhagen has cut car use by 10 per cent since 1970, helping to reduce air pollution, through a string of policies including banning commuters from parking spaces, prevention of through traffic and priority schemes for buses and bicycles.

☐ Living Places: Sustainable Homes, Sustainable Communities (National Housing Forum. Westwood Way. Coventry CVI4 8JP; £15)



BY NICK NUTTALL

OUT-OF-TOWN shopping centres could provide the nucleus for the new housing that will be needed over the next 20 years, according to the National House Builders Federation.

The Department of the Environment estimates that, because of family break-ups and people living longer. some 4.4 million new homes will be required in England by 2016, with pressure greatest on the South, South East and South West. It is thought that networks of protesters are being formed to fight housing schemes in the countryside, in a similar way that road

A MONTH after Laurie Lee died in

the knowledge that he had defeated

schemes have been opposed. Simon Festing, of Friends of the Earth, said: "There is concern on two counts — the loss of countryside and the traffic generated by the new homes."

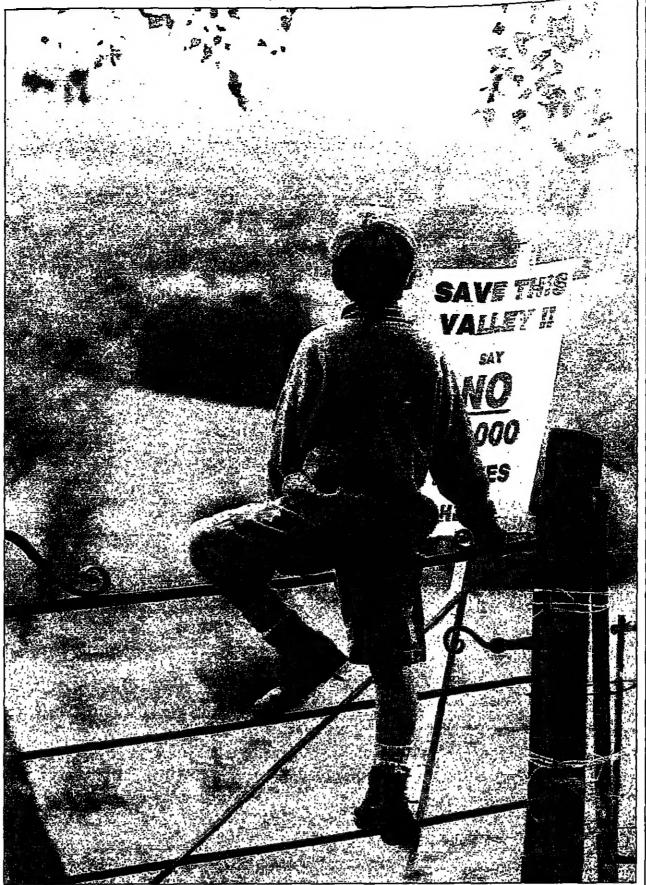
The Government has stated that 50 per cent of new homes should be built in inner cities or on derelict sites. It said recently that it would like to raise the target to 60 per cent. The UK Round Table on Sustainable Development suggests the figure should be 75 per cent. to protect the countryside from urban sprawl. Ministers and officials are reviewing the options. More homes might be built in guadown, industrial, areas

but people might be unwilling

to live there.

The builders' federation proposes in a report that outof-town shopping centres
might "provide part of the
solution by becoming the
central hub of tomorrow's
new towns". It says that the
development of homes and
schools locally could promote
the use of public transport
and reduce the car traffic
generated by trips to shops
and schools"

Tony Burton, of the Council for the Protection of Rural England, said there was no evidence that building around out-of-town shopping centres would reduce traffic and madebuilding.



Idyllic childhood under threat: Oliver Boyd, 10, overlooking Slad Valley, which Laurie Lee fought to protect

Valley takes up Laurie Lee battle

Valley, villagers in the neighbouring valley are fighting plans for a new town (Kathryn Knight writes).

Half a mile away from where the author of Cider With Rosie spent his idyllic Gloucestershire child-

by 2016. hood, Painswick Valley is known Frank Cronin, an engineer from locally as the "Queen of the Cots-Painswick, and leader of the wolds" and it is designated as an Painswick Valley Group, said that area of outstanding natural beauty. residents in villages around the But if the development goes ahead. valley were astonished to be told of the proposals at a planning meeting 1.500 houses and a 25-acre industrial estate will stand where coppices called by the council last month. and streams now stretch to the only a few days after Laurie Lee died. The author had fought a long campaign to save his valley from development, but Mr Cronin said: "What does an area of outstanding natural beauty mean if you can go ahead and build a huge development on it? If this development goes ahead, then presumably developers all over the region will have a better case to build in places like Slad

"This is a matter of principle. It is not about our garden, but about an English garden which deserves to stay that way. No one expected this. We had a huge meeting when a plan for housing in the whole area was unveiled, with Painswick Valley targeted as one of the spots to take a whole new estate. We were all very

shaken up.
"We asked if there was an alternative plan if we didn't like what we were seeing. We were told we had to wake up, get real and leave our timewarp. We were

furious."
Mr Cronin added: "We have lots

of redundant aerodromes, infill land and green sites which could be used to soak up the extra housing needed. There are even villages that actually need additional houses to make them sustainable again so they can support a local shop. Why

not build extra houses there?"

Stephen Greenwood, leader of the
Labour-run council, denied that
planners were running roughshod
over local feeling, and said the
proposals were still highly flexible:
"Fifty per cent of our district is in an

area of outstanding natural beauty. and historically they have had very little development.

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"The Vale has traditionally borne all the development so far, but if people do not like our plans to scatter housing then we will have to look at building a huge new town, which they don't seem to want either. But no final decision has been made, and won't be for some

time."

A spokesman for the Department of the Environment said that the plans were still at council planning stage and they were not able to

NEWS IN BRIE

Army calls for inquiry on 'puffin' drug claim

The Army has ordered an inquiry into claims that a Life Guardsman was so high on drugs on parade duty that he thought he was a puffin.

The allegation, in The Sunday Times, has been made by a former Life Guards corporal who said others in the regiment, which acts as the Queen's personal body-guard, were sometimes so high they could not sit upright on horseback. Since the Army began random drug tests in January 1995, 641 soldiers have tested positive.

Celine memorial

The parents of the murdered French student Celine Figard. 19. will today dedicate a memorial garden in Ombersley. Hereford and Worcester, the town where her body was found in January 1996. Stuart Morgan. a lorry driver, is serving life for the killing.

Fatal nap

A man who went to sleep under the front bumper of a coach at Bath Racecourse was crushed to death when the driver pulled away without seeing him. The victimaged 34, had travelled on the coach with a group from Nottinghamshire.

Vicar replaced

The chaplain to the Archbishop of York is to take over the north Yorkshire parish where the Rev Roger Holmes was secretly filmed making love to his church secretary. The Rev David Wilbourne has been appointed vicar of All Saints Church, Helmsley.

Tryon flight bill

Lady Tryon. a friend of the Prince of Wales, is to be sent a £1,200 bill for a flight by police helicopter from Salisbury to a London hospital. The ambulance service mistakenly believed that she was too ill to travel by road after a spinal injury.

Cliff death

A 60-year-old Briton died after falling from a 330ft cliff in Mexico. Ernest Salq was posing for a photograph when he lost his balance. The death of a Briton in Guatemala City is under investigation by police. Angus Colville. 58. had been stabbed.

Television debut

An aerial has brought television pictures to what is believed to be the last village in Britain unable to receive terrestrial signals. The 120 residents of Thixendale, north Yorkshire, have taken a year to raise the cost of the £3,500 aerial.



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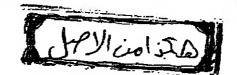
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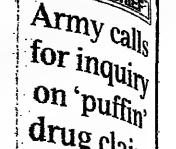
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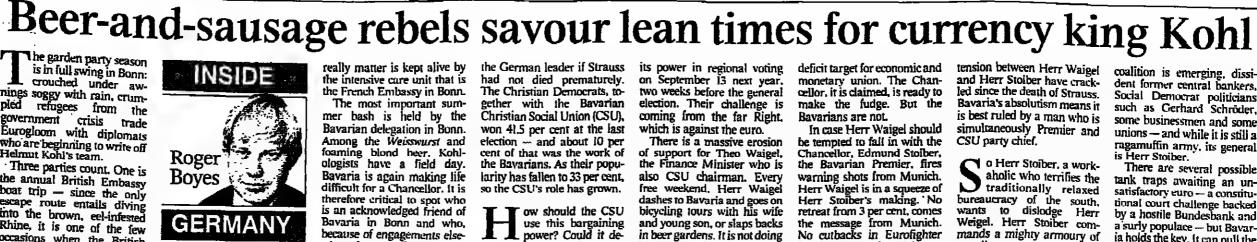
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he garden party season is in full swing in Bonn: crouched under awdrug claim nings soggy with rain, crum-pled refugees from the refugees from the government crisis trade Eurogloom with diplomats who are beginning to write off Helmut Kohl's team.

Three parties count. One is the annual British Embassy boat trip — since the only escape route entails diving into the brown, eel-infested Rhine, it is one of the few occasions when the British can pin down Joachim Bitterlich, the Chancellor's foreign policy supremo. The French stormed the Bastille in July and this too is an



instructive event: it reveals how strongly the French have made allies across the parties and the factions; the illusion that only Paris and Bonn the intensive care unit that is the French Embassy in Bonn.

The most important summer bash is held by the Bavarian delegation in Bonn. Among the Weisswurst and foaming blond heer. Kohlologists have a field day. Bavaria is again making life difficult for a Chancellor. It is therefore critical to spot who is an acknowledged friend of Bavaria in Bonn and who, because of engagements else-

where, keeps well away. Helmut Kohl had big problems with Franz Josef Strauss. the late Bavarian Premier, and one wonders constantly

the German leader if Strauss its power in regional voting had not died prematurely. The Christian Democrats, together with the Bavarian Christian Social Union (CSU), won 41.5 per cent at the last election - and about 10 per cent of that was the work of the Bavarians. As their popularity has fallen to 33 per cent,

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w should the CSU use this bargaining power? Could it destroy the euro? These are questions that nag in Bonn and Munich. The CSU has made Bavaria into a virtual one-party state. Recent polls show that the CSU could lose

so the CSU's role has grown.

on September 13 next year. two weeks before the general election. Their challenge is coming from the far Right. which is against the euro.

There is a massive erosion of support for Theo Waigel, the Finance Minister who is also CSU chairman, Every free weekend, Herr Waigel dashes to Bavaria and goes on bicycling tours with his wife and young son, or slaps backs in beer gardens. It is not doing

him any good. The CSU has thus strapped Herr Waigel down. It insists he should not fluctuate by even a fraction of a decimal

deficit target for economic and monetary union. The Chancellor, it is claimed, is ready to make the fudge. But the

Bavarians are not. In case Herr Waigel should be tempted to fall in with the Chancellor, Edmund Stoiber, the Bavarian Premier, fires warning shots from Munich. Herr Waigel is in a squeeze of Herr Stoiber's making. No retreat from 3 per cent, comes the message from Munich. No cutbacks in Eurofighter funding (Bavarian jobs at stake), no further cuts in spa resorts (many are in Bavaria). no raising of petrol tax (Bavarians are the most active

German commuters). The

and Herr Stoiber have crackled since the death of Strauss. Bavaria's absolutism means it is best ruled by a man who is simultaneously Premier and CSU party chief,

o Herr Stoiber, a workaholic who terrifies the traditionally relaxed bureaucracy of the south, wants to dislodge Herr Weigel. Herr Stoiber commands a mighty armoury of populist weaponry. For three years he has urged a delay in the euro if Germany does not reach EMU targets. The Chancellor has shrugged off the advice. Now an anti-euro

coalition is emerging, dissi-dent former central bankers, Social Democrat politicians such as Gerhard Schröder, some businessmen and some unions - and while it is still a ragamuffin army, its general

is Herr Stoiber. There are several possible tank traps awaiting an unsatisfactory euro - a constitutional court challenge backed by a hostile Bundesbank and a surly populace — but Bavar-ia holds the key, it can pull the rug from under Herr Kohl's feet. Herr Stoiber is coldblooded enough for the task: his doctoral thesis as a law student was on breach of the

Jobs riot heralds showdown over Jospin's remedy

From Charles Bremner in amsterdam

THE Dutch police were still clearing up the mess from a violent demonstration for jobs in Amsterdam yesterday as Europe's finance ministers deliberated deep inside a summit venue that resembled an armed camp more than ever.

The French-inspired squabble over the euro has merely added to the awareness among European Union leaders that their meeting to revamp the Maastricht treaty is likely to do little to fulfil their goal of "bringing Europe closer" to its disgruntled citizens.

The Saturday riot, which involved Italian, French and other demonstrators from the high-unemployment southern states, rammed home the anguish felt by European leaders over their failure to be seen boosting jobs and over the widening gulf between the

remedies they are proposing. The Amsterdam gathering is the climax of two years of talks to prepare the Union treaty for embracing the former communist states. But Wim Kok, the Dutch Prime Minister, made clear a bigger priority now prevailed - reassuring the people. "It is imperanve to convince our citizens that we have not; in our drive toward economic and mone-

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rary union, lost sight of the need to continue and indeed step up our action in the fight against the source of unemployment," Mr Kok said in his eve-of-summit letter to the other 14 leaders.

Beyond the good intention. however, the EU is now pulling itself apart over the methods needed to reduce unemployment from the cur-rent 18 million. Lionel Jospin, the Socialist Prime Minister of France, is determined to fulfil his election pledge of reflation and is prepared to risk an EU feud to get the fiscal straitjacket of the "Maastricht criteria" relaxed. He wants to pump billions of pounds of EU funds into railway and other infrastructure schemes to make

The idea, a revival of the 1993 "Delors plan", brought cries of horror from Germany when M Jospin put them to Helmut Kohl, the Chancellor, on Friday. Theo Waigel, the Finance Minister, who is trying to regain his reputation for rigour, talked privately of 'provocation". Yesterday he said: "I will not go along with a scheme under which Germany pays one third to Europe and gets only 15 per cent back." A little EU spending will be envisaged in the new employment chapter, to be part of the Treaty of Amsterdam, but with severe restrictions.

The expected deal over the stability pact for the euro will be greeted as another classic EU compromise, but the French are insisting they will no longer swallow what they call German "monetary fun-damentalism". François Hollande, M Jospin's likely successor as leader of the French Socialist Party, said yesterday: "Germany needs to be pushed because there are too many in Germany who worry solely about financial

M Hollande claimed that Germany was on the defensive. "Today, the Belgian Government is behind us and certain northern European governments understand our preoccupation with employment. Tony Blair also agrees with our position."

That last claim raised eyebrows among Downing Street officials last night as Mr Blair tried to exert some influence on the other new-boy EU leader. Mr Blair's belief in pro-market rigour is miles from M Jospin's ideas.



Helmut Kohl, the German Chancellor, greets supporters in Bad Wörishofen yesterday while farmers protest against monetary union

Blair awaits price for treaty deal on borders

FROM PHILIP WEBSTER POLITICAL EDITOR IN AMSTERDAM

TONY BLAIR will get his first taste of serious European negotiations today. At the end of the two-day summit here, the European Union should by tomorrow night have a new treaty. It was originally dubbed the "5,000-mile service" for its Maastricht predecessor and is designed to enable the EU to grow from its current 15 members to 25 or even 30 into the next century.

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In the six weeks since he was elected, the Prime Minister has been fêted in European capitals and was happily indulged as he used his first informal et-together at Noordwijk at the end of last month to call for a "new Europe".

They knew that the heavy business was to come. Ever since, Mr Blair has been preparing for his first formal summit with a hectic round of talks and telephone calls to his fellow

leaders. They have been left in no summit participants. Mr Blair has doubt about what he wants on issues ranging from border controls, defence. fishing quotas and jobs. Over the next 48 hours he will learn what he has to give in return. Overshadowing the run-up to the summit has been the dispute between France and Germany over the rules for monetary union.

Last night's emergency meeting of finance ministers was called to prevent the Franco-German row over the stability pact from damaging progress on other matters dear to the hearts of the made border controls and jobs the bottom line" issues of his first summit. On the former, in particular, he remained dissatisfied as he travelled to the Dutch capital last night.

The odds are that by tomorrow evening he will have secured his wish of getting Britain's right to maintain its frontiers written into the treaty. But Mr Blair's opponents will judge the final outcome on what he has had to concede, if anything, to allow him to claim victory on that crucial point.

London's viewpoint on summit hurdles

☐ Proposal: Frontier controls across continental Europe to he removed. The Schenger agreement, which guarantees freedom of movement between some member states, to become subject to the jurisdiction of Brussels and the European Court. There would be a common immigration,

visa and asylum policy.

Blair: Wants right of Britain and Ireland to have their own frontier controls and to run their own immigration and asylum policies. The deal must be made watertight and impossible to challenge in the European Court. The draft treaty gives

AGENDA

Mr Blair most of what he

☐ Proposal: The integrationists want a new defence arm for the EU, with the Western European Union gradually being absorbed into that role. The idea of an eventual European army is given credence by the treaty text which speaks of "the progressive framing of a common defence policy in the perspective of a common

Blair: Wants no weakening of Nato and no integra-

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Proposal: Groups of countries which want to embark on policies that others do not wish to sign up to - in limited areas - will be able to do so if the rest agree. Such action could be triggered by qualified majority voting.

☐ Blair: Britain agrees with the principle of "llexibility" but says countries should only be allowed to go it alone if all the others have agreed by unanimous vote.

Proposal: A commitment by European governments to

co-ordinate their economic policies with the goals of growth and job creation. Limited plans to spend money on promoting jobs, in line with French demands, but scope for spending severely limited. Blair: Wants flexible labour markets to be recognised as key to curbing unemployment. The draft treaty uses the language he seeks, but the French may try to change

☐ Proposal: More co-operation at EU level to avoid impression that EU is often impotent in international disoutes, such as Bosnia.

Blair: Foreign policy to remain responsibility of national governments. He will accept appointment of a "Mr Europe" to co-ordinate EU foreign policy. Already accepted by the rest that the veto

☐ Proposal: To reduce the size of the European Commission to adjust voting weights in the Council of Ministers. ☐ Blair: Wants voting arrangements that properly reflect Britain's size as one of the big EU nations.

☐ Social chapter: Britain will sign up, but wants two-year delay in implementing existing directives on parental leave and works councils. □ Quota hopping: Britain is

close to a deal on question of foreigners buying up British quotas to fish in British waters. Wants foreign fishermen to be required to land specified amounts of catches at British ports and to use British crew. ☐ Stability pact: Strictly, this is nothing to do with the treaty. Is intended to punish governments who run up large budget deficits after monetary union. The French have asked for changes, so that rules reflect the need. sometimes, to spend money on creating jobs. The Germans are opposed to change and are backed by Mr Blair.



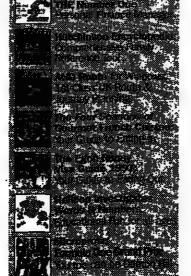


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Bushmen accuse ANC of racism

By Sam Killey, Africa correspondent

BUSHMEN, Southern Africa's indigenous inhabitants, who were once hunted as vermin by white and African settlers, now complain that they have been branded second-class citizens by a black administration.

A leader of more than 4,000 Bushmen, or San, complained at the weekend that Manne Dipico, Premier of the Northem Cape Province, had said that they were "of a lesser standard" than local Bantuspeaking Tswana people. The alleged slur has raised

fears among the San that the racism of the apartheid era is being directed at South Africa's few surviving aboriginals. Before white men arrived at the Cape, and the Bantu migrated from Central Africa, the lands south of the Limpopo River were roamed by the yellow-skinned San and Khoi,

or Hottentot, peoples. But by the end of the last century, most had been wiped out or driven into the Kalahari Desert and other inhospitable areas. The Khoi are now

San cling to an existence at the margins of the habitable

For the past seven years, about 4,300 San from the Caprivi Strip in Namibia and southern Angola, who served in the South African Defence Force in the 1970s and 1980s as trackers and infantrymen, have been camped on barren rock at Schmidtsdrift near Kimberley. Scores have died while their claim to a £l million farm they say they have purchased has been held up by a moratorium imposed by the local African National Con-

gress administration.
In the racial pecking order established under apartheid, the hunter-gatherer San were lumped together with blacks, below the so-called Coloureds, or people of mixed race. But since non-racial elections in 1994, the San soldiers and their families have been consigned to the ethnic dustbin of South

Charles Hallatt, the commander of the Schmidtsdrift

extinct and the few surviving camp which is run as a form of army charity, told The Star newspaper at the weekend that his staff dealt with ten new tuberculosis cases every month. He said that three nurses were assigned to more than 1,000 patients and that they were unable to contain the spread of the disease which threatens to become an epidemic among the San.

Mario Mahongo, a San leader, accused Mr Dipico of favouring Tswana over the San. Mr Mahongo claimed that when a delegation from Schmidtsdrift went to see Mr Dipico, to ask why they had been unable to obtain access to their land, he had shouted abuse at them, saying that they were "of a lesser standard" than the Tswana.

"First the [all-white] Nation alist Government broke their promise to supply us with housing and now the democratic Government chooses to ignore us. All the time we are being made to feel unwelcome and that we have no right to



A San woman - dubbed "inferior" by the provincial Premier

Albania cheers again for Berisha

FROM TOM WALKER

THEY WANTED to skin him alive in March. Now he strolls unprotected through the streets of the capital and even arrives in the gangster-controlled south to cheers. With elections imminent. Albania seems to be forgiving Sali

Yesterday President Berisha took his campaign along Albania's historical east-west axis. the Via Ignatia, inland to Lake Ohrid and then south to Korce - two months ago a strong contender for Albania's most anarchic city, and a hotbed of so-called rebel discontent. The dangers are there to be faced, there is no alternative," he confided before the journey.

Three very Balkan hours later, a modest crowd of 2,000 into the dusty main square of an Orthodox city once known as "the Albanian Paris," and chanted: "We will win, yes, ves. yes." There was neither

whilf of cordite nor opposition. A beaming Mr Berisha gave the victory salute and railed against "the false pyramids of lies" constructed by his Socialist foes. A man once blamed for the collapse of the disastrous savings schemes is now using them as word-plays in

his speeches. For reasons of lack of finance or a Democratic Partycontrolled media, the Socialists' big guns of Fatos Nano and Bashkim Fino are failing to make their presence felt. In the more populous south their territory is shrinking, while the north remains an odd mix of monarchists and Berisha diehards. The Socialist campaign is in urgent need of a

kickstart. "I'm talking with my heart now." confessed one presidential aide as he took a paddle in Lake Ohrid yesterday. Berisha is the least worst uption. The people cannot find a substitute for him."



Berisha: voters see him as best of a poor lot

WORLD SUMMARY

Tudjman's pledge to voters

Zagreb: President Tudiman of Croatia promised a rich and democratic future for his country yesterday after casting his ballot in a presidential election which the opposition has branded undemocratic.

Vlado Gotovac, of the Social Liberal Party, and Zdravko Tomac, of the Social Democrats, the opposition candidates, have criticised Mr Tudiman, 75, favourite to win, for using state institutions and funds to promote his election campaign. (Reuter)

Child work ban

Delhi: Tamil Nadu in southern India has become the country's first state to ban civil servants from employing children, it was reported here. employees not to use children aged less than 14 for any work, including domestic chores. after an appeal from the National Human Rights Commission. Nearly 50 million children work for meagre wages in India. (AFP)

Sudan massacre

Khartoum: Armed rebels killed 142 civilians in southern Sudan, the state-run Omdurman radio reported. A security official said it was "one of the ugliest atrocities" committed in Sudan. The report said members of the Sudan People's Liberation Army killed 87 children, 41 women and 14 elderly men. The rebels also abducted several girls and stole cattle. (AP)

Gas field ablaze

Dhaka: An explosion set fire to a gas field in northeast Bangladesh. At least four rig workers were injured. Flames leapt 500ft into the air, an official statement said. Specialist fire experts from Singapore and America were being flown in Energy Ministry officials said the blast occurred when the rig pipeline hit a "trapped gas" layer at a depth of 2,755ft. (Reuter)

Kidnap class

Taipei: Schoolchildren were taught kidnap survival techniques at a privately funded workshop here amid growing fears of abduction in Taiwan. They learnt how to stay calm with their mouths taped in mock kidnappings while other children smacked and threaten them, how to slip wrist bindings and what to listen for when blindfolded. (AP)

Bosnia rejects retrial over living 'dead'

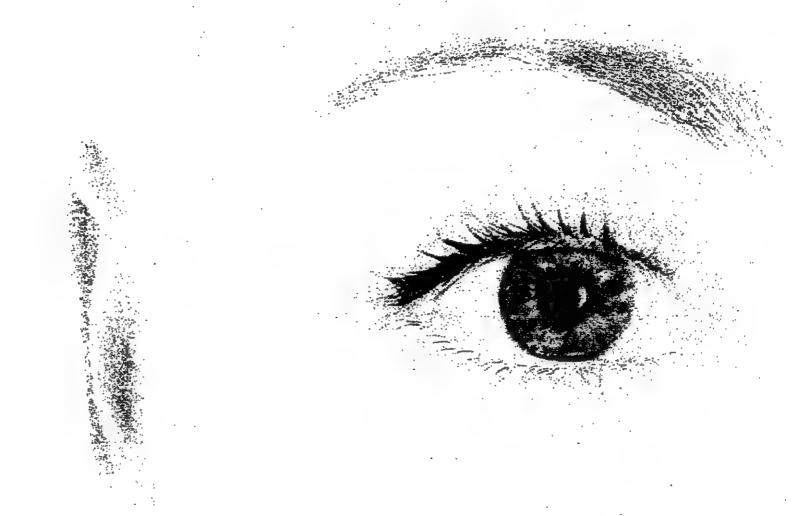
Sarajevo: A court here rejected an appeal to give a Bosnian Serb a new trial even though two of the three men he was convicted of killing have been found alive, a newspaper reported

yesterday. Sretko Damjanovic was found guilty of war crimes and genocide, and sentenced to death in March 1993 for killing two Muslim brothers. Kasim and Asim Blekic, and a third man as the Bosnian war broke out. He is in jail in

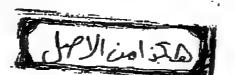
Sarajevo. Branko Maric, Damjanovic's lawyer, found the Blekic brothers alive and appealed for a new trial.

The Sarajevo daily Oslo-bodjenje said Domin Malhasic, the prosecutor, agreed on a new trial, but that he had since been replaced. The new prosecutor, Munib Bisic, recommended that the court reject the appeal. A threejudge panel led by Judge Dzenana Latic went along with Mr Bisie's recommendation, the paper said. (AP)

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Fears of Pol Pot 'ruse' as factions battle in jungle

FEUDING factions of the Khmer Rouge, one of them thought to be led by Pol Pot. were fighting yesterday in the jungles of northern Cambodia, after last week's murder of the organisation's former defence chief Son Sen and his wife and family as "traitors".

If reports are true, Pol Pot, 250 of his fighters and their families and three "hostages", are surrounded by up to 2,000 Khmer Rouge fighters who backed Son Sen and wished to discuss surrender with the Government in Phnom Penh. Pol Pot is reportedly being carried in a stretcher with intravenous drips attatched to his arms and is now 12 miles from Anlong Veng near the border with Thailand.

Army officers close to the First Co-Prime Minister, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, who flew to the northwest city of Siem Reap, near the Angkor temples, reported they could hear gunfire in radio contact with Khmer Rouge elements apparently wishing to settle



The Khmer Rouge is tearing itself apart, but all may not be as it seems, James Pringle reports from Phnom Penh

with the Government, "The Khmer Rouge is devouring itself," said one Phnom Penhbased diplomat yesterday. However, nobody claims

they really know what is going on within the organisation, which makes a fetish of secrecy, and while there have been murders in the leadership it is not clear how much of the new talk of splits may be part of an elaborate ruse of Pol Pot. There are so many layers of

deception here that it is difficult to be sure of anything, except that Son Sen is dead and that the remaining hardline Khmer Rouge seem to be seriously split," said one analyst. Yet Phnom Penhbased diplomats find it hard to believe that Pol Pot would

break with "Brother Number Two" Nuon Chea, the clever military strategist and brutal killer Ta Mok. and Khieu Samphan, the French-educated intellectual who wrote the blueprint for the Khmer Rouge revolution and whose defection would be welcomed by Prince Ranariddh.

Envoys say they could see why Pol Pot ordered Son Sen, 67, and his influential wife, Yun Yath, killed on June 10, along with their family: Son Sen's brother has already defected to the junior partner in the coalition that has been governs Cambodia since UNsponsored elections in 1993.

"Pol Pot has been with his other henchmen for so many



together so long, it is hard to see a break now," noted one envoy. "One has to suspect some kind of manipulation." Some analysts speculated three as Pol Pot's hostages,

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ible in the political process that will culminate in fresh elections next year.

"Pol Pot knows he is unacceptable, but perhaps he is seeking respectability for the other three, who will then be able to protect him," said one

analyst. Much of the information coming out of the area of Anlong Veng, the last stronghold of the hardliners 200 miles north of here, about the military situation and the possibility that the British mine-disposal expert Christo-

pher Howes, who was captured in March 1996 at Ang-kor, may be held with Pol Pot. is being disseminated by the army's Deputy Chief of Staff, Nhiek Bun Chhay.

Most observers reluctantly accept Mr Howes must be dead, either murdered or as a result of malaria or another illness. "I don't believe Howes is alive," the Second Co-Prime Minister, Hun Sen, said. However, there is little

doubt that the remnants of the Khmer Rouge, which lost most of its strength last August when leng Sary, the former Foreign Minister, crossed to the government side with up to 10,000 of his men. is now unravelling fast.

What is happening to the Khmer Rouge, and the bloody but deserved end that befell Son Sen, who gave the order to evacuate Phnom Penh in 1975, ran the Tuol Sleng torture Khmer Rouge in early 1979.

centre in the capital, and is credited with ordering the killing of tourists who fell into his men's hands, is a mirror image of what is occurring in Phnom Penh in the run-up to

elections next year. These elections will pi Prince Ranariddh's royalist Funcinpec party against Hun Sen's Cambodian People's Party (CPP), the former Communists, and both sides in the uneasy coalition have been seeking to enlist the defecting

Khmer Rouge to its cause. This is what led to the death of Son Sen, who was believed to be planning to join his brother. Ni Korn, who had defected to Hun Sen's side. The Khmer Rouge has long considered Hun Sen, once a Khmer Rouge fighter, a "Vietnamese puppet", as he came to invasion that overthrew the

Hong Kong laws 'curb freedoms'

By Michael Evans

THE Foreign Office yesterday described as "unjustified and unnecessary" plans by the Beijing-appointed Provisional Legislature to curb civil liberties in Hong Kong.

New laws which were aplegislature had already caused concern in Hong Kong and internationally, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The Provisional Legislature, meeting across the border in Shenzhen, China, because of opposition in Hong Kong. completed the third and final readings of the laws, which will restrict demonstrations and impose controls on political organisations. The laws will allow the police to ban demonstrations to protect public order or "national

security".

The legislature will replace
the elected Legislative Council, which is to be dissolved at midnight on June 30 when the colony is handed over to

Despite the condemnation

from London, Rita Fan, president of the provisional budy. insisted the critics of the new legislation would be proved wrong. Speaking in Shenzhen. she said: "Hong Kong people will find their freedoms unmember the remarks made by the British Government and the Foreign Office and many others, and Hong Kong people will understand.

She said the changes were in line with Hong Kong's Basic Law and international human rights covenants.

However, Martin Lec. chairman of the Democrats. Hong Kong's most widely supported party, said the approval of the new laws represented "a step backward

for freedom". The term "national security" could become an excuse for quashing pro-democracy protests, Mr Lee said. "Laws must not take away rights from the people of Hong Kong, but rather must protect individual rights and freedoms."



A gambler, wallet poised, studies the Sha Tin form

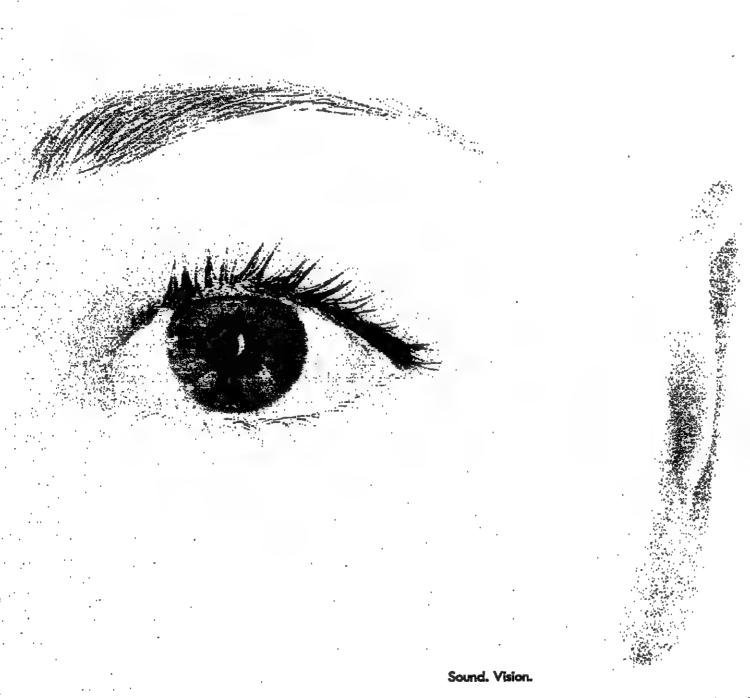
Punters grab £56m at colony's last race day

Hong Kong: A gambling bon-anza that gripped Hong Kong nine horses, but 353½ bets of \$HK10 each gained \$HK2.03 anza that gripped Hong Kong ended last night with a world record \$HK719 million (£56 million) payout to conclude the horseracing season two weeks before the colony reverts to Chinese rule.

Punters had to identify the first three horses in three races for a triple trio wager there are 48 million possible outcomes - that excited gambling-mad Hong Kong, which annually has a horserace betting turnover equal to about £6 billion. Nobody got all

million. The Guinness Book of World Records lists the last world horseracing payout re-cord as £980,000 in California in 1987. About 88,000 people, many

first-time horse gamblers. crammed into the Hong Kong Jockey Club's race course at Sha Tin to test their luck. The club distributes profits to community causes, and says that it is one of the world's five largest philanthropic organisations. (AFP)



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Gulf War illness report takes aim at White House

THE US Congress is to issue a new report on Gulf War Syndrome that will fiercely criticise the Pentagon and the White House for failing to recognise links between chemical weapons and the illnesses

The report, coming in the wake of separate government conclusions that Iraqi chemical and biological agents were probably not responsible for the health problems of military personnel who served in the Gulf, can only confirm the view among veterans' groups of a widespread cover-up by the Clinton Administration.

In its inquiry, the General Accounting Office, the investigative branch of Congress, has found substantial evidence linking the various maladies to chemical gas.

Its conclusions, due this month, will be watched closely by the British Government after the Prime Minister's guarantee last month of further funding for research into Gulf War Syndrome among

The GAO has also concluded that Iraqi biological weapons, including aflatoxin, a group of potent liver carcinogens, could be responsible for the fatigue, headaches, nausea, memory loss and reports of painful joints among an estimated 80.000 veterans who have requested special medical check-ups.

Sections of the report, published by The New York Times yesterday, contradicted previous findings by both the Pentagon and a presidential advisory committee which that the physical

were a more likely cause of than 20,000 Americans may

The link between stress and these veterans' physical symptoms is not well established," said the office, "and the reported prevalence of among Gulf War veterans may be overestimated."

It said the departments were also wrong to rule out the effects of nerve gases such as sarin and other chemicals weapons. "There is substantial evidence that such compounds are associated with delayed or long-term health effects similar to those experi-

enced by Gulf War veterans." After five years of adamant denials, the Pentagon finally announced last year that more

Desert force has to stay

Prince Sultan Airbase, Saudi Arabis William Coben, the US Defence Secretary, told American troops yesterday that they had to stay indefinitely at this isolated desert base because US economic interest demanded it.

With temperatures soaring to 47C (117F), Mr Cohen toured the base flight lines and tent towns and commiserated with fighter pilots and ground crews enforcing a "no-fly zone". in existence almost six years, over southern Iraq. Mr Cohen told troops that abandon its commitment to the region. AFP)

Israeli leader escapes charges

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER

A SIX-MONTH political sleaze scandal that once threatened to topple Birlyamin Netanyahu, the Prime Minister, finally fizzled out yesterday when the Israeli High Court rejected a petition. demanding that he be charged with fraud.

have been exposed to sarin

nerve gas after engineers de-

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pot at Kamisiyah in southern

In February, the depart-

ment admitted that 80 per cent

of the US military logs record-

ing the detection of chemical

had been lost, provoking even greater accusations by veter-ans that the Administration

Kwai Chan, principal an-

thor of the congressional

study, was said to be very confident of its conclusions.

His investigators also believe

that clouds of chemicals could

have reached US troops as a

result of bombing raids on Iraqi chemical plants and

storage depots early in the

war. The inability of United Nations inspectors to visit all

the damaged sites, said the

report, meant that the "magni-

tude of exposures to chemical

warfare agents has not been

It cited evidence that Iraq

had stockpiled atlatoxin be-

fore the war and that the side-

effects of the agent were often not discovered until years

Christopher Shays, a Re-

publican congressman from

Connecticut who has been a

leading critic of the Pentagon

and White House handling of

veterans' claims, called for

independent research into the

syndrome. The report sup-ports the idea that we should

take the Gulf War research

programme away from the

Pentagon and give it to some-

one who really wants to find some answers," he said.

after low-level exposure.

fully resolved".

had kept the truth secret.

apons during the Gulf War

Iraq in March 1991.

Four judges on the five-member panel refused to overrule a decision by state prosecutors not to charge the right-wing Prime Minister in the affair that was dubbed "Bibigate" after his nickname and arose from the short-lived appointment of a political crony, Roni Bar-On, as Attor-

Although one judge, in minority decision certain to generate further criticism. demanded that the state attorney show cause for his decision not to charge Mr Netanyahu, close aides of the Prime Minister claimed that the judgment closed the door

Most political comments tors agreed with them, although left-wing opposition politicians continued to try to use the 4-1 verdict as cause to stir the political pot. "This means that 20 per cent of the panel thought this Prime Minister should stand trial. Today the countdown has begun for Binyamin Netanyahu's rule," argued Yossi Beilin, of the main opposition Labour Party.

Independent observers said that the scandal peaked on April 20 when the highly respected new Attorney-General, Elyakim Rubinstein, overuled police calls for Mr Netanyahu to be charged, claiming that the case was



a Jordanian soldier, shot dead seven of their schoolfriends, cling to their father after giving evidence to an Amman military court as his trial started yesterday

cient for bringing charges. The judges also unanimously rejected similar petitions de-manding that Tsahi Hanegbi. the Justice Minister,

The Israeli report likeaed to a political ed that both Mr Netanyahu with fraud and breach of trust. Had the Attorney-General upheld that decision in regard to Mr Netanyahu, it is unlikely that the 66-54 majority of his coalition in the

esset could have survived. Israelis, cynical about the and dealing their politics,

over the appointment of an Attorney-General as not out of

☐ Street battles: For the second day running, there were street clashes between Palestinians and the Israeli security forces in the West Bank city of Hebron yesterday. At least 15 Palestinians

McVeigh jury defends death sentence

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THE aftermath of the Oklahoma City bombing continued to resonate throughout America yesterday as the jurors who convicted then sentenced Timothy McVeigh to death talked for the first time about the former Gulf War veteran who murdered 168 adults and children.

irom sp during his trial or the second phase which ended on Friday with the death sentence, the seven men and five women said they had found it harder to convict the Oklahoma bomber than to decide that he should die.

Jim Osgood, the foreman who became known during the process as the GQ juror for his immaculate suits and ties, said that the prosecution case had been compelling, but the jury had cried for 90

to pronounce McVeigh's guilt. "We didn't look at one piece of evidence or one particular witness, we looked at the whole package," Mr Osgood said.

Every member of the jury said they wished McVeigh could have taken the stand to answer the question of why he had planned. the attack on the Alfred P. Murrah federal building on April 19, 1995. acted alone.

Most were surprised that Stephen Jones, his defence lawyer, appeared effectively to have admitted the guilt of his client during the sentencing phase. Mr Jones had said that although the act was demonic, McVeigh was no demon.

"It knocked me off my feet when he said that," David Gilger, another juror, said. "I do wish Timothy McVeigh had sat in the witness stand and given testimony

of some kind but it was his choice not to and I respect that."

Since he was sentenced to death an execution by lethal injection which is scheduled to take place at the federal penitentiary in Terre Haute, Indiana - McVeigh's lawyers have faced a harrage of criticism for what seemed both an inadequate defence and the apparent admission of guilt.

There has been speculation that the defence team and had wanted to die rather than spend the rest of his life in prison. However, Chris that during the sentencing phase the defence had merely tried to act within the parameters of a guilty

He defended the decision not to allow McVeigh to testify because their client still faces a further 160 state murder charges in Oklaho-ma and speaking in court could

have affected his federal appeals. Mr Tritico countered the claims of both the public and the jury that the stony-faced former soldier had failed himself by showing no signs of remorse during the case.

Tim would have been criticised whichever way he reacted. If he had cried throughout the very emotional testimony it would have been an admission of guilt," Mr Tritico said. "We just let Tim be Tim was consulted in every aspect of the trial but all the final

decisions were ours."
Terry Nichols, 42, the co-defendant in the case who is to be tried later this year, faces the same li conspiracy and murder charges as his former army colleague. Experts believe that his alleged lesser role" in the bombing could result in a sentence of life imprisomment rather than capital

New York braced for battle on rent rises

By Tunku Varadarajan

NEW YORK's Byzantine system of rent controls. instituted as a temporary measure during the Second World War, was last night on the verge of collapse, raising fears of violent conflict between tenants entrenched in their apartments and landlords who want to evict them.

Under pressure from conservative Republicans who control the New York state's Senate, rent protection could be scrapped for all but the infirm and elderly, ensuring that rents would be determined by supply and demand rather than by the stroke of a bureaucratic pen.

Yet resistance to change is so fierce that Joseph Bruno, the Senate majority leader and prime mover of the campaign for reform, has received several death threats. Rudolph Giuliani, New York's Republican Mayor, has opposed the

scrapping of rent controls. The facts, now almost obscured by hysteria, are that an astonishing 56 per cent of New York's 1.9 million rented homes have their rents "mispriced", determined in fact by a public agency without regard to the market. The median rent is \$600 (£370) a month, at least 30 per cent below the market rate.

Contrary to publicity put out by tenants' associations, however, the poor hardly benefit, since they live in public housing subsidised by taxpayers, not landlords.

In some desirable parts of Manhattan, where unregulated rents have soared, many wealthy "protected tenants" pay less than a quarter of the market rate. Such celebrities as the pop star Carly Simon, for example, and the broadcaster Alistair Cooke, are "protected".

While defenders of controls say that they secure affordable housing for people in a market where demand outstrips supply, there is no doubt that price regulation has had exactly the opposite effect, creating a full-blown housing crisis in New York.

By suppressing the return landlords get on their investments, control has discouraged the building of new homes. Affordable housing has become so scarce that New Yorkers, and those moving to the city from outside, must exercise the same ingenuity in finding an apartment as Muscovites once did to find meat to eat.

Tonya Steadman, a juror, justifying the verdict at the weekend

Fascist salutes given at Mussolini funeral

FROM RICHARD OWEN IN ROME

THE Fascist salute briefly returned to the streets of the After the war, he spent a Italian capital at the weekend when hundreds of diehard Blackshirts turned out to form an unofficial guard of honour at the funeral of Vittorio Mussolini, second son of the dictator Benito Mussolini.

Vittorio Mussolini, who died in a nursing home last week aged 81, was 29 when the Duce was shot by partisans and strung up by the heels in a square in Milan in 1945. A lieutenant in the Italian Air Force, Vittorio played a role in his father's final puppet government in northern Italy in the last days of the war and remained loyal to the dictator's memory. period of exile in Argentina worked in the film industry.

On Saturday, ten air force officers attended his funeral at the Church of San Roberto Bellarmino in Rome to form a guard of honour. But they were outnumbered by extremist neo-Fascists from splinter groups belonging to the Italian ultra-Right.
Vittorio's widow, Monica, was consoled by Romano

Mussolini, the only son of the Duce still alive, and Romano's daughter, Alessandra, a far-right Alleanza Nazionale

Last evacuees flee Brazzaville

BY SAM KILEY AFRICA CORRESPONDENT

BULLETS flew over the heads of the last foreigners to flee Brazzaville under the protection of French Foreign Legionnaires as Congolese troops and militiamen fought for control of the city's interna-

tional airport yesterday.

Mortar explosions and the crash of tank rounds shook windows in the airport control tower as the last 100 evacuees prepared to leave Congo Braz1.200 French troops were expected to follow them.

About 3,000 people are estimated to have died in the capital since June 5 when President Lissouba sent troops to disarm the Cobra militia of Denis Sassou-Nguesso, the former President.

The country was scheduled to hold a general election on July 27 but, with most of the capital burning or shattered by heavy fighting, democracy appears a distant dream. Wit-

zaville to its civil war. The nesses said that bodies littered the once-elegant boulevards. President Lissouba said he wanted a French-led peacekeeping force to intervene but officials in Paris ruled out any further commitment to the country once the evacuation

had been completed. Mediators say President Bongo of Gabon will host peace talks in his capital, Libreville, today after the failure of Muhammad Sahnoun, the United Nations special envoy, to prevent fighting.

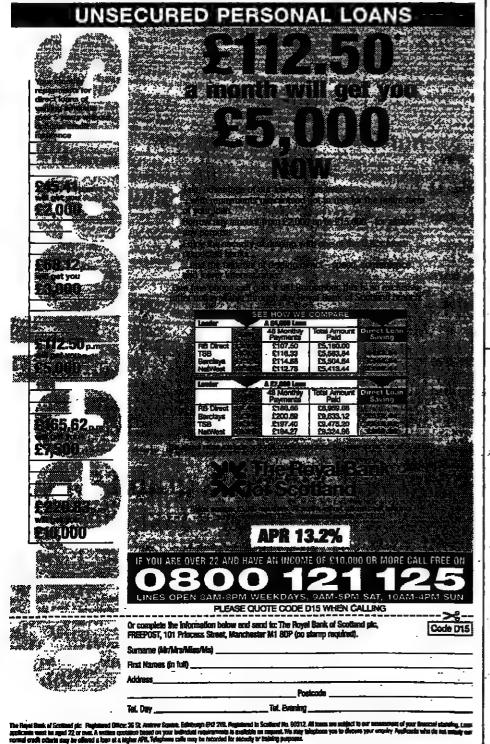
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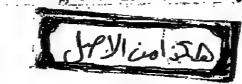




Cayhall destroyed two families that fateful day 30 years ago; his victims' and his own. His son committed snicide 15 years ago, his daughter has not spoken to him since his imprisonment and now his grandson and defence attorney, Adam Hall is fighting a career-wrecking, no win

appeal to stop Cayhall's impending execution.





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Of mice and men

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Scientists who introduced human genes into a mouse found some surprising medical benefits, says Anjana Ahuja

here may not be much to link Greek mythology and the painstaking work of the genetics laboratory. But this month scientists in Japan revealed that they had created their own chimera. They successfully inserted a lengthy chunk of a human chromosome, containing hundreds, possibly thousands, of human genes, into mouse cells.

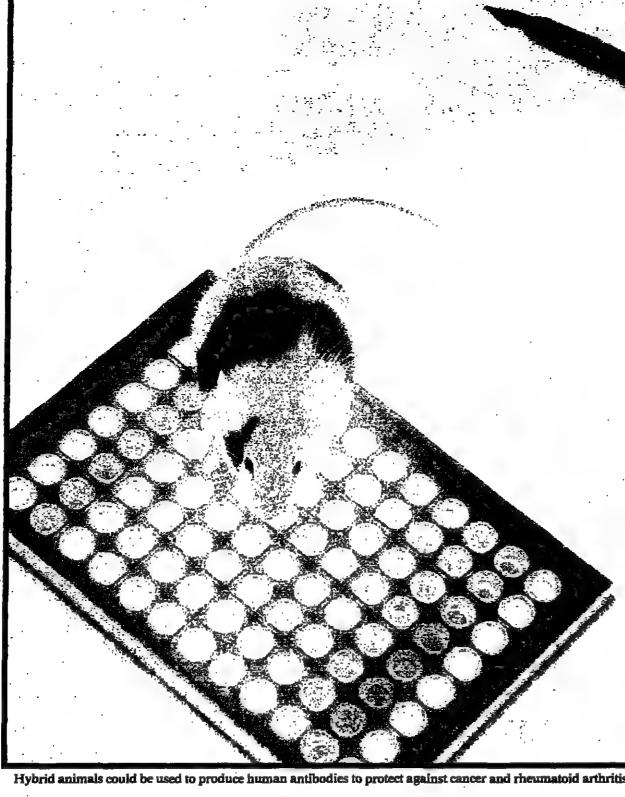
The transgenic beast which resulted from this unusual union is not quite half-man, half-mouse, but has human genes helping to control vital organs. These genes help to regulate immune function in the thyroid, assist in the development of heart muscle and control liver functions. In past experiments to put human genes into mice, the genes have often lain dormant. In this case, they are working exactly where they should be working.

The work, carried out by Isao Ishida and colleagues at the Kirin Brewing Company in Yokohama, Japan (where breweries often invest in biotechnology), and compatriots at Tattori University and Kit-asato University School of Science, was published this month in Nature Genetics.

It has rightly been hailed a landmark achievement. Its long-term applications are already exciting observers — hybrid animals could be used to produce human antibodies to protect against such diseases as cancer and rheumatoid arthritis.

What has impressed observers most is the scale of the experiment. The researchers transferred 50 times the amount of genetic material thought possible — a notable technical feat. In previous experiments to ferry chromosomes across species, there was little problem shifting genes to a new host. However. told the genes where to operate were too far down the chromosomal string. As a result, the transplanted genes did not function normally. In this case, the whole package was

relocated perfectly. The scientists decided work with just three of the full repertoire of 46 human chromosomes. They chose numbers two, 14 and 22, which possess clusters of genes involved in regulating immunity in various organs. The researchers took human skin cells and attached a protective gene to the chromosomes. The gene would later provide protertion against an antibiotic, which would be used selectively to kill off the other 43 unwanted chromosomes. The skin cells were inserted into special mouse cells. The mouse cells broke into fragments, with each fragment clinging on to one of the chromosomes. These frag-



Hybrid animals could be used to produce human antibodies to protect against cancer and rheumatoid arthritis

ments were then blended with embryonic mouse cells.

These embryonic cells were then dosed with an antibiotic. which killed off all the chroprotective gene (ie, two , 14 and 22). The surviving fragments were implanted in the womb of female mice.

The hybrid embryos developed just like normal embry-Six offspring were analysed; four seemed normal but two males were born sterile with shrunken testicles. The reason for the aberrations lies in the fact that mice have 40 chromosomes and human beings 46. In the sterile animals, the transferred human chromosome knocked out the animal's Y chromosome, responsible for producing male

characteristics. In the unaffected chimeras. the human chromosome simply became the 41st mouse

chromosome. To find out whether these hybrid creatures had adopted the human genes into their own make-up, researchers injected them with foreign proteins (antigens). The animals

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responded by releasing a mixture of human and mouse antibodies which destroyed

There were more surprises come. The researchers went on to breed the chimeras themselves; they witnessed human chromosome two being passed down through four

generations. During its passage, the inherited chromosome remained intact and operated normally, showing that genetic material can become stable in an "alien" host.

r Sohaila Rastan. director of comparative genetics at Smithkline Beecham Pharmaceuticals, who has written an accompanying commentary in Nature Genetics, said the research could open up a new arena in genome research involving

"It is a very important scientific achievement," says Dr Rastan. "The extra piece of genetic material didn't seem to interfere with normal development, so it shows that biologi-

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prescribed drugs have advers

effects. But there are qualified

people who now specialise in

get fed up. Just thinking about it makes it worse. And many

cally, mice can make very good models for humans."

Perhaps the most dramatic benefit of the hybrids lies in the making of protective substances. Dr Rastan says the potential therapeutic in the development of human monoclonal antibodies is obvious. "For example, antibodies are used to resist against organ rejection and septicaemia, and these antibodies are usually made in mice. This can create problems, because a mouse protein is being put in a human host. However, this technology can produce completely human, and therefore

narmless, proteins." Dr Rastan is also quick to point out that the research does not raise the spectre of hybrid animals. There is likely to be a limit on how much human genetic material can be transferred to mice," says Dr Rastan. "Even if lots of human genes are put into mice, they will always be expressed in a mouse-like

Professor Huntington Willard, a genetics expert at Case Western Reserve University.

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were insufficient for him to

discover the identity of an alleged

accomplice and details of a cover up.

What my older, wiser brother said about

"IMPOTENCE"

Cleveland, Ohio, says that the work has given researchers a new tool for studying human chromosomal disorders such as Down's syndrome, which results from the acquisition of an extra, 47th chromosome.

Professor Willard says: "It is a very important and surprising step. The chunks of human DNA are enormous, and most geneticists would have predicted that the genes would either be unstable or cause major disorders. From what has been published this month, it seems that neither scenario has happened.

Coming hot on the heels of cloning and artificial chromosomes, it just shows how the oace is quickening.

Eye hopes \square T rex poser \square Far-flung fish

New light on sight

causes of blindness have a common feature: the abnormal growth of blood vessels in the retina, the light-sensitive re-gion at the back of the eye. The new vessels are inclined to leak, blocking light and causing

The process occurs in diabetic retinopathy, the form of blindness that often accompa-nies diabetes, in some prema-ture babies, and in the commonest cause of blindness in the elderly, macular degeneration. While these three conditions all have different origins, the final stage in each one is blood vessel proliferation. Now

researchers from Harvard Medical School, Ohio University and Merck Research Laboratories have produced evidence that the process can be slowed by blocking the action of growth hormone produced by the pituitary gland which stimulates normal body growth and development. The idea is not especially new. As long as 45 years ago. they report in Science, the role of the pituitary was suspected when a patient with diabetes who was going blind recovered his sight after his pituitary gland was destroyed by a failure of blood supply. For some time after that, many patients were treated by surgically reducing the size of their pituitary glands, and this did appear to reduce the incidence of blindness.

The evidence was that some pituitary factor was involved, but whether it was growth hormone or something else was not clear. The US team, led by Dr Lois Smith, Professor of Ophthalmology at Boston's Children's Hospital, investigated this in two ways. They used both normal mice and mice genetically engineered at Ohio University so that they produce a form of growth hormone that blocks growth rather than encouraging it.

They put the mice in a high-oxygen environment, simulating the conditions that are used for premature babies. The high levels of oxygen stop the growth of blood vessels in the eye - and when returned to normal conditions the retinas are oxygen-starved and start producing new blood vessels to

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They found that both the gene-modified mice and normal mice treated with a drug to inhibit growth hormone showed reduced blood vessel proliferation. "We counted the numbers of abnormal blood vessels in the retina, and there was a significant reduction in

the transgenic mice as well as in normal mice treated with a drug that inhibits growth hormone release." Dr Smith says. "We also saw more development of normal blood vessels in the reciprocate the same of the second says." in the retinas of the transgenic mice compared with the non-transgenic mice."

To check that the effects really came from suppressing growth hormone, they injected the drug-treated mice with mouse growth hormone and a related material called insulin-like growth factor (IGF-I), to see if this would reverse the effects of the drug. They found that growth factor was partially effective, and IGF-I completely so. This demonstrates that these growth factors are implicated in the proliferation of the blood vessels, though they may not be the only mechanisms operating.

The effects were convincing enough to hold out hopes of successful treatment or prevention of these three causes of blindness. The drug, codenamed Mk678 and developed by Merck Laboratories, reduced new blood vessel production by between 30 and 44 per cent, which could be enough to delay or eliminate blindness in many cases.

The effect is about the same as that shown in trials of existing treatments which use lasers or extreme cold to destroy the affected part of the retina. The Ohio team, led by Dr John Kopchick, is also involved in drug development in conjunction with Sensus Drug Development Corporation, a company based in Austin, Texas.

Doubts over a dinosaur's blood



WITH timing that will have overjoyed the publicists of Steven Spielberg's new film. The Lost World. American researchers claim to have recovered traces of the blood protein haemoglobin from a

Tyrannosaurus rex bone. But the sensational claim, which appeared in Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, has been greeted by other scientists with barely concealed scepticism.

The team, led by Dr Mary Schweitzer of the University of Montana, extracted the material from the bones of a T rex which lived about 65 million years ago. They subjected it to a barrage of tests, including ultraviolet, visible and Raman spectroscopy, nuclear magnetic resonance and elecfron spin resonance. All the tests show a molecule that looks like the core of haemoglobin, they insist. What is more, it appears to resemble bird haemoglobin, which is what you would expect if birds are descended from flesh-eating dinosaurs.

Others express doubts. Haemoglobin is too fragile to last long, and it is seldom found even in specimens 50,000 years old, never mind 65 million years, says Dr Noreen Tuross of the Smithsonian Institu-tion. "The likelihood they have really found this is very small indeed," says Dr Matthew Collins of the University of Newcastle.

No plaice like home, it seems



PLAICE lead surprisingly adventurous lives, covering a far greater müeage than scientists believed. Tagging experiments by fishery sciexperiments by fishery scientists at Lowestoft have shown that one fish trav-

elled more than 550 miles in 56 days, before being caught fairly close to where it started. Dr Geoff Arnold, of the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science at Lowestoft, says that he was amazed by the results of the experiments, in

which the fish were tagged with small electronic sensors able to store data about depth and sea temperature. "It was known that they moved, but nobody had any idea how far," he says. Dr Arnold and Dr Julian Metcalfe

attached the tags to 303 female plaice between December 1993 and last February. So far, they report in Nature, 37 of the tags have been returned by commercial fishermen. These show that plaice leave the seabed at slack water, moving up into mid-water to swim with the tide. When it turns. they go back to the bottom before catching a ride on the next tide going the right way.

Results like these can be used, he says, to define quota areas to control overfishing and possibly also to define "closed areas" where fishing would be banned to give stocks a chance to recover.

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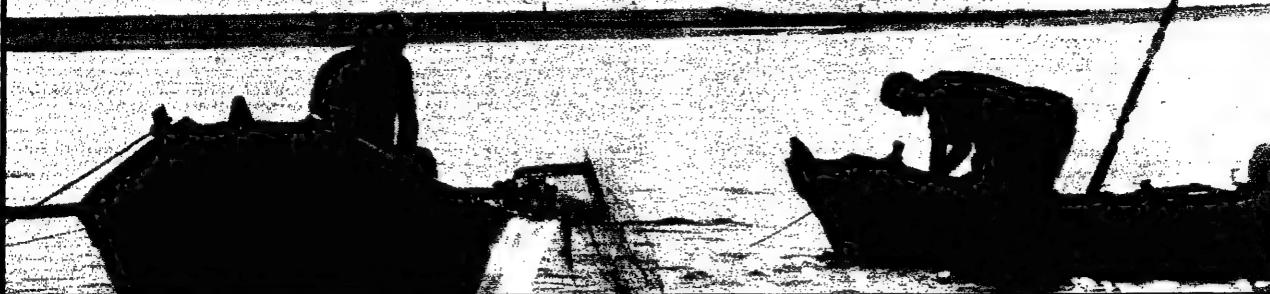
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Charlotte Green



Why is it that thousands of us don't switch off the radio when the Shipping Forecast comes on?

ooking at the words printed above, how many of you are tempted to try to reproduce the authoritative, soothing tones of the BBC continuity announcers whose job it is to read the Shipping

Broadcast four times a day. seven times a week, for the past 71 years, it is ostensibly a service provided by the BBC for mariners. But it is a testament to the power of this sonorous mantra that so many

Bill Frost reports on the broadcast that soothes a nation with its calm and measured tones of us non-sailors are comforted, moved, or even turned on by it. Who can forget the

famous Not the Nine O'Clock News sketch of a girl reading the Shipping Forecast and struggling to maintain her attempts seduction? Viking, North Utsire, South

Utsire. Forties. Cromarty.

your lips, feel the lash of the wind bring colour to your cheeks and poetry to your soul.

Like almost one million other obsessive listeners. Sir Robin Knox-Johnston - first non-stop solo circumnavigator of the globe — never misses the Shipping Forecast. "Only a fool would fail to tune in while this is life and death information," he says. "But there is more to the broadcast than that — this is the reassuring sound of Britain: calm. measured and dependable." The sober cadence which comforts Sir Robin, fellow yachtsmen The names were chosen and inshore fishermen strikes

a powerful chord across the

country, too, especially among those whose only experience of the sea has been aboard a Channel ferry. Dogger, Fish-German Bight - the shipping areas have passed consciousness

from charts in the age of sail. Captain Robert Fitzroy, first head of the Meteorological Office, is widely thought to 1860 from charts which were old even then.

For today's devotee, the best place to listen to the forecast broadcast four times a

day — is in bed ... with the blankets with the blankets pulled high and the radio turned low: the promise of a gaie at sea is as comforting as the rattle of the rain on the window, Nature's terrifying power can be enjoyed in comfort as the prelude

to a good night's sleep. Sir Robin agrees: "if you were tucked up in bed, I can see that it would make you feel safe and lucky on a bad night at sea. It doesn't matter if you don't understand what 'easterly seven, perhaps gale eight later' means — the voice of the reader is soothing and evocative. You can see a seascape in your mind's

Even to the dullest ear, there is indeed a soothing poetry in Bailey, Rockall and Shannon, in Forties, Dogger and Tyne.
People love the names of the sea areas," says a BBC spokeswoman. "They have the same appeal for landlubbers as Farming Today does

"Viking. North Utsire, South Utsire

.. constant lilting repetition has added to the allure of these sea areas for the lay listener. However, to the mariner, they are the equivalent of Bounds Green, Arnos Grove and all stations to Cockfosters".

Many of the sea areas, such as Dogger and Bailey, are named after sandbanks. Others were christened after river mouths: Thames, Humber and Shannon. And some are named after specific features such as islands or rocks: Lundy. Rockall, Faeroes, Wight and Fastnet.

Biscay and Finisterre -marked on old charts by angry cherubs pulling gales from their cheeks - can be the most stormy areas: the names. again dictated by geographical features - the Bay of Biscay and Cape Finisterre.

Since it was first broadcast, the poetic roll-call has undergone a few minor adjustments.

Severn long ago became Lundy, and Channel was split into lymouth and Portland.

Dogger was bigger; Heligoland has become German Bight. Not much happened off Norway until the oilrigs arrived, so, using the Norwegian word for "island", the Met Office created North and South Utsire.

While the "familiar" but obscure mantra lulls us off to can be battening down for a seriously bad night.

Imagine the prevailing conditions for southeast Iceland

ICELAND

ATLANTIC OCEAN

detailed in a recent forecast:

"Southwesterly six or seven,

becoming gale nine later. Rain

noor." Unless you have experi-

enced them at first hand, the

very nasty night indeed," says Nathan Powell at the Meteoro-

logical Office headquarters in

Bracknell, Berkshire, where

the forecasts are put together.
"The weather could have been

The Met Office daily re-

ceives requests from Shipping

Forecast "lans" for informa-

tion. A glossary of terms is

sent by return post with a

wipe-clean map of sea areas

and coastal stations to plot the

weather. "Visibility". for ex-

ample is just that - observers

look at points in the distance

and make assessments. If a

mountain 20 miles away can

be seen clearly, visibility is 20 miles. If the wind is in the

worse. but only just."

"You are talking about a

task is almost impossible.

Moderate becoming

north and is changing in a northeasterly direction, it is said to be "backing".

The scale was devised in 1806 by Francis Beaufort, then capmin of HMS Woolwich and later to become an admiral. His system was based on how the sea looked, with one meaning light air, and 12 hurricane force.

Barometric pressure "Bailey ... 1,004, falling" - is Shipping Forecast equation. Mr Powell of the Met Office explains: "It is a measure in

millibars of atmospheric pres-

sure above sea level. The

higher the figure, the better

the weather." Half a century

after Beaufort, Captain Robert

Fitzroy, later to become an

admiral, pioneered telegraph-

ic warnings for those in peril

on the sea. By 1911, the North

Atlantic was covered by a gale-

warning system using Morse

sea areas then compared with

until 1949, with a break during

the Second World War, when

the information was consid-

ered too useful to the enemy.

Readers are drawn from

Radio 4's continuity depart-

ment. including Peter

Donaldson and Charlotte

Green - voices chosen for

their gravitas and clarity. The

32 today.

he first Shipping

Forecast was broad-

cast from Daventry.

There were only 13

SHIPPING FORECAST AREAS

forecast is to put lives at risk. Mr Donaldson, doyen of continuity announcers at Broadcasting House, says the forecast seems to have an almost mystical quality for shore-bound listeners. There is a mantra format

which never alters. We always

announcers must have perfect

read the reports clockwise from the top of the shipping forecast areas map, and we always read at the same pace." Gabbling is mortal sin, says Mr Donaldson. However, an even more heinous crime was

league long since banished from Broadcasting House. "To enliven what he thought was rather a chore, this man

decided to invent a gale-force 13 wind when, of course, as every seafarer knows. 12 is a hurricane. Anxious listeners lit up the switchboard - you don't make jokes when people's lives could be at stake."

Peter Donaldson has long since ceased heing surprised at the level of public fascination with the Shipping Forecast. As one of the amateur poets wrote, the broadcast summons up an epic seaterrifying elemental power hovers dark on the horizon". But the essence of poetry is not in the interpretation. It is in the hearing.

Terry Hands, for-mer director of the Royal Shakespeare Company, was asked on a BBC radio programme to nominate a selection of his favourite things. As a million other listeners might he included the Shipping Forecast. Sir Robin Knox-

Johnston would agree. "This is an institution and this is a masterful compression of vital information into a couple of

minutes. We at sea are dependent on the forecast, but every listener gains an enormous amount of pleasure: it is just so very British."

Like many other bedtime listeners. Julia Darling has been inspired by the forecast. She is perhaps the best of the amateur poets who regularly submit their verse to the BBC. While some draw their im-

agery from crashing waves and whistling winds, she takes a skittish view with touches of e.e. cummings.

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Tyson title with a \$22m punch

ego to match. He is utterly charming and he used to be Mike Tyson's personal bodyguard. Now a self-styled "realtor to the stars", Michael Farris is handling the sale of one of the Tyson homes. For \$22 million and not a cent less.

He flew out from Las Vegas to show me around the Tyson mansion — put on the market last month — at 46 Poplar Bars Road, Farmington, Con-necticut. Lurking behind the veil of that demure address lies what Mr Farris describes as "one of the largest private residences under one roof for sale in America today".

He is irrepressible. He may have had his "philosophical differences" with Mr Tyson there were too many people hanging around him, taking advantage of him" - but they are still "great buddies". Years after leaving the boxer's employ, he is very loyal to his old boss, which is why, he thinks, Mr Tyson chose him to sell The Mansion. "What you behold is one of the seven wonders of the world of real estate," he says.

But let the facts speak. Mr Tyson's house is indeed wondrous: it has 20 bedrooms, six sitting rooms, five dining rooms, 24 bathrooms, 14 lavatories, seven "gourmet" kitchens, four conference rooms, an in-house cinema, a discotheque, an indoor Olympic size swimming pool, a rackets court, two billiards rooms, an indoor shooting range, a 1,500 sq ft gymnasium, five Jacuzzis, a glass lift to carry one from floor to floor, a oneacre pond with a 30ft-high fountain and "gazebo guesthouse", an eight-car ga-rage, an NBA-regulation basketball court, 17 acres of landscaped lawn (with an artificial waterfall), six servants' quarters, four dog kennels, and a heated driveway.

The house, totally furnished, also has 101 phone extensions and 48 television sets. But no boxing ring. Mr Farris was brooding as

we drove to the house. He was worried about what I was going to write. One or two pieces on The Mansion had appeared in the American press. They were not flatterng.-Naturally, having shown the journalists around in good faith, he felt betraved.

There had been suggestions, for example, that the house was overpriced. After all, Mr. Tyson paid only \$3 million for if early last year, buying it from a bank which had re-

e has thighs as large as an elephant's, and an for colo Transcription for sale. Tunku Varadarajan reports from Connecticut



Mike Tyson takes his pet tiger for a walk in the grounds

ceived it as part-payment for debts owed by a renowned real-estate swindler who is

"That's \$19 million profit," ! exclaimed. "In just a year." Mr Farris did not go on the back foot. On the contrary. Mr Tyson deserves that price, He's had several serious inquiries, and an Arab sheikh has sent his men to look around. Mr Tyson has poured millions into the place. He has furnished every room with only the most expensive material. You should have seen it. It was in need of a total overhaul. And in any case, it was a steal

o, if the place is so sensational, why is Mr Tyson selling? "Look. He's returning to the simple life. He's got too many homes and he just wants to settle down, to be fixed up somewhere. He has a home near Cleveland and his family really likes it there. But it pains him to sell this."

There had been whispers. also, that the house was not quite tasteful. "Tell me," I said,

how gaudy is it? "Absolutely not at all," Mr Farris replied, with a shake of his Mount Rushmore head. "You'll have a loftier opinion

of Mr Tyson after seeing the

house, believe me. It's not gaudy. He has great taste. He likes the modern stuff as well as classical objects. You see, Mike's educated himself. He likes to read. He hardly had any schooling, but I guess you'd say his good taste was always inside him." I was

labour of love. The true labourer of love, however, was Dave Holloway, powerful 57-year-old from North Carolina, he is The Mansion's caretaker. "I come with the house," he said, as he flung its doors open to us. He beamed at me, delighted that someone from a newspaper in London, England, was visit-ing. His handshake was like a

bolt of lightning. "One thing I like about the house," he was to tell me later, "is that everybody's got their own bathroom. You don't have to wait for no one."

We were standing in the fover, which was three storeys high, with two curved staircases swirling upwards. Be-fore us on the floor lay a dazzling zebra skin. Mr Farris said: Mike loves African things. African art. motifs. objects." Mr Holloway agreed. sagely: "Yeah. Mike, he likes Airican things." The marble however, ubiq-

uitous in its opulence, was clearly not African. Nor was the furniture, in a style that might best be described as Las Vegas vernacular. Mr Farris remarked: "As you can see, the home has been furnished with an eye for understated

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I took refuge in a sudden flurry of note-taking. The place, frankly, was about as understated as a Tyson right

But inelegant? Never. Overseasoned, perhaps, but certainly not inelegant. The place had real panache. It was jazzy, funky, all those things.

The grand tour took four-and-a-half hours. As we moved from room to room ankle-deep carpets, televisions the size of big suitcases and walk-in closets larger than my bedroom — I felt as punch-drunk as Frank Bruno after six rounds with Tyson.

You've got to admire the man. He grew up in reform schools and learnt how to live in the school of hard knocks (delivered, mostly, to other people, as a teenage delinquent in Brooklyn).

Now, he can afford a place like this, plus another sprawladdress in Cleveland,

Mr Holloway said: "You know, Mike, he chose everyhere himself. Right down to the fish in that pond outside." The pond, as I discovered, was packed with Japanese koi carp. They cost \$1,000 each and there must warming to Mr Farris. Selling have been at least 100. The Mansion was clearly a

We entered the 37ft by 27ft master bedroom, with its "180degree panoramic view of the waterfall, pond and rear grounds, cathedral ceiling, marble fireplace, four built-in ically operated window blinds. electronically controlled movie screen and combination safe

for personal jewellery."
So this is where the great man reposed on his occasional visits. The bed was gigantic, and seemed to exude a certain menace. Mr Farris sat on it and bounced about, showing off its firmness. "Mike loved this room," he purred. "He would stand by the window, look out at the woods, and say 'Man, this is mine, all mine'. And he was right. Every brick and beam here is his, all his. The whole shebang belongs to Mike." Now, for \$22 million, Mr Tyson's shebang could be

Prospective buyers can reach Michael Farris at Century 21, Los Vegas. (Tel: 001-702 876 2700)



The hallway is three storeys high with two staircases and reflects Tyson's love of African works of art



Mike Farris, estate agent, in one of the 20 bedrooms furnished with "modern stuff as well as classical objects"

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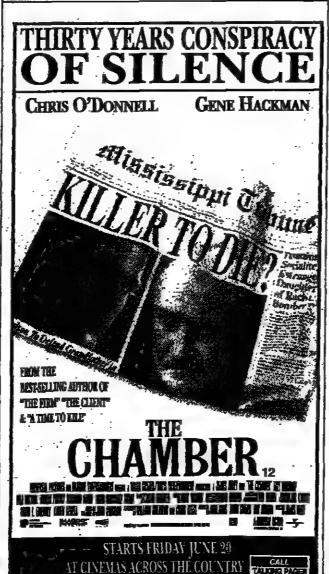
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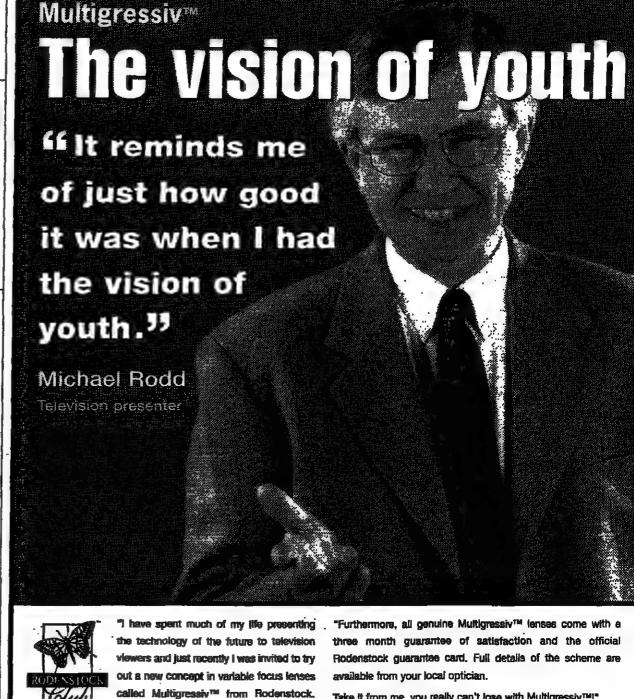
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■ VISUAL ART

Rhapsodies in black: the Hayward PREVIEW: Tomorrow

ast week Gerry Robinson, chairman of Granada, said I that it would be more logical, within the next ten years, if the current 15 ITV companies were to come under the control of a single owner. If ITV were being set up today, he said, to compete with Channels 4 and 5, with BSkyB and a BBC more competitive than ever dreamt of when ITV was inaugurated, then its present structure would be considered "costly and

ludicrous". Despite the fact that I work for Gerry Robinson, I think that he is right. For whether ITV can wait anything like ten years is, in my view, very doubtful. The fissured ITV system divides up Britain not unlike the several warring king-doms divided it in the early Dark Ages. Some say that the comparisons need not stop there.

But ITV has to pay almost £400 million a year to the Government just for the right to be ITV - a crippling burden way past any justification and a penalty from which its direct competitors, ChanTHEATRE

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Time to drag ITV out of the Dark Ages

I would go in harder than Gerry Robinson and assert that if ITV is not allowed to trade more competitively (by the lifting of the ancient tax on airtime and therefore an equalisation of commercial factors with other channels) then Britain's single biggest channel investor in original British programming will be seriously eroded with consequences which could damage what at the moment promises to be the beginning of a most positive broadcasting leap forward in the

next five years. ITV appears to have no political constituency of concern like the BBC; nor has it the plucky little
David-among-the-Goliath face of
Channel 4; nor yet the radical
ruthless realpolitik of BSkyB. ITV is merely button three. It could become an antiques roadshow all

nels 4 and 5 and BSkyB and cable (and the BBC!), are all excused.

of its own. It is the only channel unmodernised. It is now, when ITV is up there, when it is still a success, that is the best time to strike it new.

The answer, in my opinion, is undoubtedly one, or at the very most two, owners for the whole system. This would give the commercial sector in this country the clout in a world market which the pigmy sizes of the commercial companies have hitherto failed to achieve. It would also enable ITV to regroup against a host of new television armies undreamt of in the philosophy of those who so carefully both set it up and pinned it down just over 40 years ago when there was only one compet-ing channel. It is as if ITV is still being forced to travel in aircraft driven by propellers while the rest are moved on to jets.

If ITV could centralise its



strengths and continue to invest its tremendous cash commitment into British programmes, then there is no doubt that new energies would be released and just at a time when the ground seems so right for a

massive heave up the global ladder in broadcasting and screen businesses. And look what has happened quite recently with the centralising, the regrouping and the reforming of another old, tradition-bound institution solidified in the Fifties and unallied to modern developments for overlong. New Labour could be a model for New ITV. How much would it cost to hire Alastair Campbell and Peter Mandelson?

There are three obvious objections.

tions to what I have suggested. The first is where will the much-loved regional programmes go - those services often rated way ahead of their BBCl counterparts? I think they should increase and multiply. Where they exist efficiently enough run they prosper. But instead of a dozen or so we should have 50 or 60 up and down the land, each serving about half a million people

into the ITV network at agreed times and agreed prices. This could transform local broadcasting and local communities.

he second objection is that a new centrally driven ITV would chuck out public service programmes - most obviously documentaries, arts and classic drama. Not so, I believe. ITV's greatest periods of rounded and comparative success have been when it has recognised the power and pushed the effectiveness of a mixed portfolio. ITV would be mad not to realise that it must lure in minorities as well as

But, thirdly, who would be that sole owner? It is likely that the gloves would be off. There are at least three hats already in the ring

— Gerry Robinson himself, of

course, with Granada: Michael Green with Carlton; and Lord Hollick with Meridian. There would be tartan cries from the north and the red dragon breathing from the west and others seeing the opportunities in a United Kingdom of commercial broadcasting. It could be the mother of all franchise battles. On the other hand, with rules sensibly regulated to the almost completely. realigned to the almost completely new situation which has come about in the past two or three years, the amalgamations could proceed through agreements and mergers of those already commit-ted to commercial television.

Either way the cohesion of ITV and the ITV system is a necessary and urgent step if British broadcasting's biggest single spender on domestic product is to spender on domestic product is to play a mature part in what could be an exhilarating move up the league tables of global media, a move which is overdue partly because ITV has not been given the attention it merits. Let battle

In sight of a double triumph

OPERA: Rodney Milnes sees the

Aldeburgh Festival celebrate its

50th with a Turnage double bill

ven when the composer was alive, the Aldeburgh Festival was always more than just - just! - Britten. He gave opportunities to many other composers, Henze, Lennox Berkeley, Malcolm Williamson, Thea

Musgrave, and of course Birtwistle -The new the premiere of Punch and Judy directors (1968) was one of the defining mohave built Aldeburgh and on a noble life in Britain. The tradition current artistic directors, Oliver Knussen and

Steuart Bedford, are building on this noble tradition; in the 50th Festival there are interesting Britten exhumations, a new work from Alexander Goehr, and a focus on Michael Berkeley; and the double bill of Mark-Anthony Turnage premieres that launched the

festival on Friday could well prove to be as auspicious an event as the Birtwistle nearly 30 years ago.

> era Studio, and could not have been a better advertisement for the latter in these troubled times: comlibrettists and artists had tak-

They were given at the Snape Maltings under the joint aegis of Aldeburgh and the ENO Contemporary Op-

ities for experiment, workshop in the light of prac-

tical experience; both pieces seemed "finished" in a way that not all new operas are and the actual standard of both stage and musical performance under the direction of Nicholas Kok with members of the ENO orchestra was



Keel Watson (the Elder) and Thomas Randle (Nunez) in Mark-Anthony Turnage's The Country of the Blind, premiered at the Aldeburgh Festival

Turnage and the writer Jackie Kay nearly turned Twice Through the Heart. a series of poems as if by a woman imprisoned after fatally stabbing her violent husband, into an opera, complete

is to be said about an event made all the more stirring by its seeming so everyday, almost commonplace an event. It was perhaps the subjectmatter rather than the actual score of Greek (1988), Turnage's last work for the stage, that won him a reputation for musical violence;

with narrator, chorus and a all the sense of compassion trial scene; in the event they that were most immediately striking. The bleakness, the wisely left it as an eminently desolation were unerringly stageable solo song-cycle, sung with quietly blazing incaught the sense of an inestensity by Sally Burgess. capable double trap, the pris-Words and music say all there on cell and the violent, not loveless relationship that preceded it, with fortissimo thwacks on bass-drum in the final song suggesting so much more than just the closing of the cell door. Not, on the surface, a cheerful work, but - as in the case of Janáček's

inspiring one. The world will here it was the aching lyri-The music for The Country cism, the truly Brittenesque of the Blind is busier, indeed this 45-minute opera moves resourcefulness of instrumental colour drawn from a chamforward with irresistible mober orchestra of only 16, above

mentum, encouraged by the short lines and strong rhythms of Clare Venables's libretto, drawn from the H.G. Wells short story. The parable of a sighted man entering a blind community, of both parties seeking to cope with the other, and their eventual parting with the mutual realisation that people must accept what they are, is not out of place in Aldeburgh, home of Britten-the-Outsider.

Apart from Turnage's grasp of dramatic shape and pace, about which he writes persuasively in the programme, it is again the lyricism that impresses most; the love duet in which the sighted man tries to explain the concept of light to the blind girl (inevitably recalling Tchaikovsky's Yolanta) is extraordinarily Iuscious and - while I don't want to destroy Turnage's reputation — you really do come out humming the tune. The piece was quite brilliantly directed by ENO's Emma Jenkins on a spectacular set by Conor Murphy: this is perhaps not a show for performers, or audiences, with vertigo. Thomas Randle and Regina Nathan, and indeed the whole on Turnage's beautifully natu ral writing for voice. This double bill will be repeated at Aldeburgh on Sunday, and visits the Queen Elizabeth

Hall on July 3 and 5.

CONFERE

Short on smiles

he Barbican is taking its Ravel very seriously. So much so that, in L'heure espagnole, in the penuitimate concert of the London Symphony Orchestra's Through the Looking-Glass series, neither a ticking clock, not a musical pun, nor even a dysfunctional cuckoo could raise a laugh, let alone a smile, from the reverential audience.

Ravel, after all, thought of his "musical play in one act" as the first real comic opera in France. The humour, he insisted, lay in the music, and the LSO and André Previn did everything within their power to persuade us of the fact. Their Rapsodie espagnole and the introductory Le tombeau de Couperin had already set in motion their expertise in

this music. In order to furnish the imagination with the colourful absurdity of this opera's staging — its procession of clocks and lovers, its upstairs and its downstairs - a concert performance must work hard. David lent banker Don Inigo Gomez certainly did. His first "Salut!" leapt out into the auditorium; he bustled with the bass strings, rhapsodised with the horns, and worked the words hard and fast.

He and John Mark Ainsley (as the poetic tenor Gonzaive) were ideally cast. Their double-act in the absurd denouement was a masterpiece of perfectly judged tone and register. The Canadian mezzo Kimberly Barber was a vivacious and idiomatic Concepcion. Ramiro the Muleteer is not intended to be a laugh a minute, but Kurt Oilmann should not, perhaps, have taken his duliness at face value. Rather take a hint from Georges Gautier's clockmaker Torquemada, whose sense of comic timing was everything one might expect.

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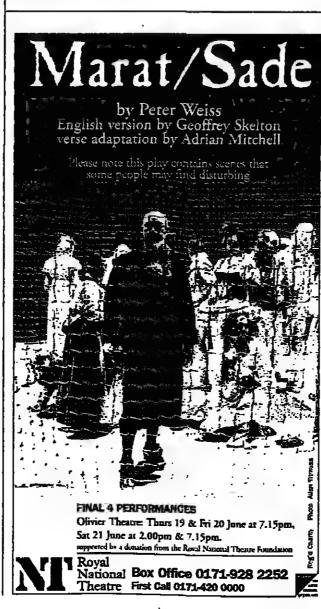
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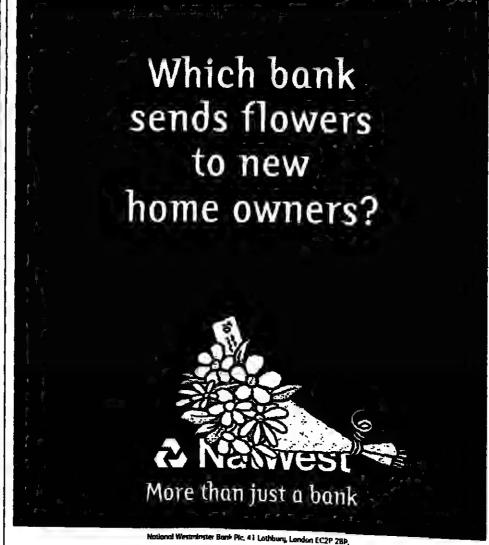
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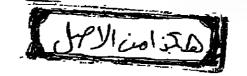
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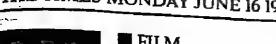
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POP: Superstars strut their stuff at gigs in London and Dublin, while Rex Harrison's son pays tribute to a famous Belgian at the Jermyn Street Theatre

Blands having the most fun

and BMWs lined the narrow streets of Kentish Town on Thursday night as rock legend Jon Bon Jovi packed out the Forum. These are the well-heeled suburbanites who have kept faith in the New Jersey megastar throughout his decade-long transforma-tion from stack-haired stadium rock bimbo to gravelvoiced balladeer, selling more than 75 million albums in the process. They arrived in their droves to see the singer play tracks from Destination Anywhere, his official debut as a solo performer, as opposed to front man of the hugely successful pop-rock behemoth

which bears his name. Destination Anywhere was written in London last year. Bon Jovi claims the album was influenced by the current British pop scene, but any such colloquial details have clearly been lost in translation. In reality these songs are business as usual for the sandyhaired sex symbol, albeit a little more frayed around the edges than usual, offering yet another journey through his beloved mythic Americana of smalltown heartache and blue-collar romance.

Such, at least, is the lyrical hinterland of the husky power ballads Every Word Was a Piece of My Heart and Ugly, Jon Bon Jovi Forum, NW5

with which Bon Jovi opened his Forum set. Although both tracks are new and were therefore unfamiliar to most of the crowd, they still drew hysterical applause. Backed by a competent but faceless new band, the singer worked the ecstatic audience effortlessly, even managing to raise a cheer with some excruciating remarks about his love of "jolly old England".

By the time he aired his lightweight but undeniably catchy current single. Midnight in Chelsea, complete with co-writer Dave Stewart guesting on guitar, 2,000 people were eagerly roaring along to its anthemic chorus. The tune then segued seam-lessly into the album's title track, an equally windswept piece of dime-store romanticism, and Bon Jovi twanged everybody's heart strings all

It is hard to fault the singer for sensibly staying within his limitations for most of the show. He may trace his stylised drifter lineage back through Bruce Springsteen to Jack Kerouac, but Bon Jovi is essentially serving up a sanitised, shallow pastiche of their emotional landscape.

Even when he stripped down the band for a semi-acoustic campfire strum through old favourites Blaze of Glory and Livin' on a Prayer, there was little substance behind his world-weary posturing.

soulful and funky, the clumsy strut of Naked, merely baffled this essentially conservative audience. No wonder they howled with relief when the familiar roar of Keep the Faith topped off the set. Try as he might to exude the sombre wisdom of age, Bon Jovi remains shackled to the blowdried banality of his past.

battered leather jackand crumpled black jeans these days. Jon Bon Jovi is still a hammy showman at heart. He remains a Disney facsimile of a rock star, an ultra-slick professional playing the role of hard-bitten troubadour for a family audience. Not that this is entirely a

bad thing: he is a gifted entertainer with a flair for wrapping memorable pop tunes around the kind of corny sentiments normally found inside greetings cards. It might be the blond leading the bland, but 75 million Volvo owners can't be wrong.

STEPHEN DALTON



Perfect sales pitch

NO SOONER had the dust settled after the departure of Garth Brooks than another astar blew into town. and Dubliners were required to swap their stetsons for the designer Europop the designer Europop hat modelled by French-Canadian megastar Celine Dion. This time it was the turn of Lansdowne Road, a stadium more usually associated with Irish rugby and football internationals than pop concerts, to play the

great outdoor host. As she took the stage in a beige outfit and glitzy jacket. the charices of the ever graceful Dion changing into a pair of cowboy boots midset were always going to be slimmer than Liechtenstein's chances of qualifying for the World Cup - or, 1 was going to add, of Switzerland's chances of winning the Eurovision Song Con**Celine Dion** Dublin

test. But then who could forget that Dion already did that, taking the bacon back to Geneva in 1988?

Indeed, much of her set sounds as if it was written with Eurovision in mind and that's the problem. Even when she's interpreting classic ballads such as Eric Carmen's All By Myself the feeling remains that Dion is delivering cartons of homogenised milk rather than distilling bottles of the pure drop. That said, one cannot fault her voice, which is as resonant as any in popular music. And her stage presence is very strong, revealing an easygoing personality that is

But if Dion's ability to get those lighters in the air and those arms swaying is undisputed, that vital quality needed to send shivers down the spine is sadly lacking.

While it is true that every great pop act hits on a formula and by and large sticks to it, the parameters of Celine Dion's artistic framework seem just that little bit too controlled. Any deviation from the slushy weepalong or the powercharged showstopper is a risk her multi-platinum sales chart just won't counte-

But when she's at her best, as when belting out it's all Coming Back to Me Now or the finale. Because You Loved Me, Dion is the modern queen of showbiz.

NICK KELLY



Where love meets death

IT IS possible to imagine Jacques Brel's life being given the big-budget Buddy-meets-Jolson treatment. Just think of the storyline: Brussels boy rejects his stolid middle-class upbringing and tries his hand at songwriting, becomes a folk hero in France before turning his back on the concert stage before he is 40, and eventually sails away to the South

Stir in scenes from his tortuous love life and his vain battle against cancer, bring on the dusky dancing girls for the burial in Gauguin's backyard, and you are halfway to making your fortune.

Noel Harrison — expatriate, guitar-playing son of Rex Harrison - does it all much more economically, but with a lot more style. Apart from the handful of coloured lights that flash on and off, rather incongruously, during the everaccelerating tempo of La valse a mille temps, there is not a hint of spectacle in his 90minute one-man show. The marvellously evocative songs - and what songs they are do most of the work for him.

> Adieu, Jacques Jermyn Street

Devotees of Brel's work may be disappointed by the sketchiness of Harrison's narrative, which does not stray beyond the basic facts of the troubadour's short but tumultuous career. We are left wanting to know more, for instance, about the period after his withdrawal from public performances, or the consequences for those closest to him of his brand of rugged individualism.

But we do get to know the songs very well, as Harrison sets numbers such as Jo-Jo, Le plat pays or Mon père disait in the context of the author's life. Although he resists the temptation to sing the English translations, he provides unobtrusive, semi-spoken translations along the way.

Underpinned by his sensitive guitar accompaniment, Harrison's voice captures the recurring mixture of anguish and wistfulness, exemplified by Le moribond and Ne me quittes pas. In Brel's world, he reminds us, "l'amour" and "la mort" are forever intertwined.

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Keeping the Woolf from the door

Adrian Zuckerman on resolving

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The coming to power of the Labour Party has given enormous plea-sure to the legal profession. Quite a few members of the Bar marked the occasion by raising a glass of champagne.
Anyone who has followed the attempts to reform the administration of civil justice will not be surprised.

Since the 1980s the legal profession has felt threatened by successive Conservative Governments. Their worries started with the private initiative of a Labour MP. Austin Mitchell, who proposed in 1983 the abolition of the solicitors' monopoly over conveyancing. The proposal was greeted with widespread support, and legislation was intro-duced. A dramatic fall in the cost of buying or selling a house followed

But conveyancing was not the only area of complaint. The cost of litigation in England is exorbitant. The risk of incurring ruinous costs can deter even a rich person from litigating, and taking a serious dispute to court is out of the question for ordinary citizens. unless they are supported by legal aid, by a trade union or financed by motor insurance.

Realising that little could be achieved by procedural changes, the ernment tried to improve access to justice by creating competition in the provision of services and proposed giving solicitors rights of audience in the superior courts. The Bar, feeling its monopoly threatened.

resisted ferociously. As a result, the proposals were watered down: solicitors were given rights of audience in a way which discouraged them from taking up the opportuni-

Despite several Green Papers, White Papers, legislation and widespread public debate during the decade after the reform of conveyancing, indeed, it increased. But the Government persisted in its efforts. In 1994, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, then Lord Chancellor, appointed Lord Woolf. now Master of the Rolls, to review the administration of civil justice and propose ways to reduce the cost of access to the courts.

Lord Woolf was emphatic in his diagnosis. Costs are high not because our procedures are particularly complex, but because clients and their lawyers have the freedom to complicate and protract litigation. No doubt lawyers act in the best interests of their clients. But they also have a strong economic interest of their own, since they are paid by the hour. The more protracted the litigation, the higher their fees. Lawyers would be inhuman if they were immune to this temptation.

Lord Woolf proposed two strategies. First, that simple disputes involving sums of up to £10,000 should be dealt with by a simplified, fast-track procedure, in which the costs that the winner could recover from the loser would be fixed. Since litigants would not be able to recover more than this sum,

they would be discouraged from agreeing to pay their lawyers more. And, if lawyers were to be paid a fixed fee, they would wish to speed up the

in all other cases, Lord Woolf proposed that judges should take control over litigation. The courts should determine the pace and intensity of litigation rather than leave this to the litigants and their

As with previous initiatives, the legal profession objected vehemently. The support that Lord Woolf received from Lord Mackay only deepened their gloom. But the new Lord Chancellor, Lord Irvine of Lairg, is expected to be more sympathetic to lawyers' interests. The profession was particularly gratified to learn from him on June 6 that, while he believes in the need for reform, the emphasis should be on examining the costeffectiveness of the Woolf proposals, rather than on the practices that deny justice to

the ordinary citizen. There are perfectly good reasons why Lord Irvine may be cautious about Lord Woolf's proposals. Judicial supervision of litigation demands greater judicial

resources, which means more ex-Lawyers pense for the taxpayer. Yet there is have a no guarantee that supervision would strong bring down the cost interest in of litigation — for the hourly pay sys-tem would continue delay - they are paid by to provide lawyers with incentives to the hour protract matters. Indeed, it is quite pos-

sible that a new breed of managerial judges would be lulled by the prevailing legal culture into condoning expensive practices of dubious benefit, as judges have done for so

posal of some form of fixed-fee litigation is valuable, because lawyers working in this way have no incentive to draw out a case. At Lord Woolf's reincentives which was fair to both clients and lawyers.

t an early stage in the A litigation, a judge would review the issues and set a budget within which the case would have to be fought. If the issues were complex, and the evidence extensive, the budget would be high. In straightforward cases, it would be low. Either way, both the clients and their lawvers would know how much the litigation would cost and could make an informed decision about its economic

Lord Woolf reported that this suggestion "occasioned a general outcry from the legal profession". But it is not against the interests of clients that the cost of litigation should be fixed in advance. If the new Lord Chancellor is concerned to promote the citizen's interests, he will doubtless consider some scheme along these lines. If he does so, the merriment in the legal profession may well prove

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The Benjamin Banneker Academic High School, in Washington DC, is a successful educational experiment in a city of many social disadvantages. The school was founded in 1981 to provide a rigorous academic education for 400 of the best students in Washington. It is highly selective; about 300 very bright students compete each year for 100 places. Its curriculum includes a year of compulsory Latin, as well as foreign languages and sciences. It has strict disciplinary. standards; no truancy is tolerated, timekeeping is punctilious and so are the homework requirements.

The educational results have been outstanding. Banneker produces only about 3 per cent of the city's high school graduates, but they won three of the ten scholarships awarded by George Washington University this year, and four out of eight last year. All 80 students graduating this year have been accepted for college, gain-ing entry into some of America's most important universities, such as Yale and Stanford.

Banneker is the American equivalent of a grammar school; selective, academic, disciplined, aiming to get the brightest pupils into the best universities. The Principal, Linette Adams, has been in charge of the school since it opened. She says the the formula is simple. Take bright, motivated students, place them in an intimate, nurturing environment, and wrap them in a challenging curriculum ... we're just an old-fashioned back-to-basics school. curriculum Some would consider us too rigorous in some things, but we don't apologise for that. In Britain this would be regarded as an example of Conservative educational

On Friday, Hillary Rodham Clinton was the Commencement Day speaker. She praised the school as "a powerful example of what can hap-

The lesson America will have to learn

pen when a school sets high expectations". As she was reported in The Washington Post, she went on to express the hope that "we could say about every high school in Washington what we can say about Banneker

The objective of raising standards is obviously right, but Banneker is a highly selective school. No doubt there could be one or two more Bannekers in Washington, but it is not possible for all Washington high schools to reach such lofty standards. They cannot all draw on the best and brightest students.

Banneker is a limited answer, successful at least for its own students, to the worst educational problems of modern America. The first problem is the urban deprivation of the inner cities, with their concentration of disadvantaged ethnic minorities in conditions of crime, drugs, broken families and welfare depen-

Banneker's students have had to battle their way through this urban jungle. At the same Commencement Day ceremony, Mayor Marion Barry himself a former convict - said to the graduates: "Many of the young people you went to kindergarten with are not graduating high school today." He congratulated them on having beaten the odds. Banneker has its fair share of students whose mothers are on drugs, or dead of an overdose, and whose fathers are in jail, or missing altogether.

the collapse of standards in American secondary education. American children perform reasonably well in junior school — the problem comes later. One often reads horror stories about standards in British schools, but perhaps nothing as depressing as this taken arena a recent article by Maggie Gallagher: "Government Maggie Gallagher: "Government studies reveal that half of our 17-yearolds are unable to calculate the area of a rectangle; just 47 per cent could tell you how to express 9/100 as a

William Rees-Mogg

percentage. Only 20 per cent could write a simple, one-paragraph letter applying for a job. A National Geographic Society survey revealed that less than half of young adults in America can locate the state of New York and York a York on a map ... a third of college freshmen require remedial courses in reading, writing or maths." These standards are certainly far below the norms when my mother graduated from an American high school in 1909, or when she was teaching in a New York City high school, on the edge of Harlem, in 1913. Herwere learning elocation

and Shakespeare, and enjoying it.
The First Lady made her visit to
Bangeker on Friday, Bill Clinton was
speaking at the University of California in Sain Diego on Saturday. His
main theme was the future of race
relations in America — San Diego is a relations in America — San Diego is a mixed-race community, 23 per cent Hispanic, 9 per cent Asian and 6 per cent Afro-American. The 62 per cent of the population which is European-American is expected to fall below 60 per cent in the next generation. San Diego is an example of the growing Hispanisation of the South and West of the United States, which is a cultural and political challenge to the

declining white majority.

Again, education is at the heart of the social problem. David S. Broder. who is reporting the President's visit for The Washington Post, writes. "Last November, police were called in to control a clash involving 300 black and Latino students at San Diego High School. In September, police arrested a dozen members of a Vietnamese youth gang, charged with robbing, terrorising and sexu-ally abusing residents in a five-month crime spree . . . despite many targeted programmes, the San Diego school district said test scores for African Americans and Latinos continue to lag badly behind those for white and Asian Americans.'

Sometime, quite soon, San Diego will be predominantly an Hispanic district; an American businessman who recently passed through San

Diego airport told me he felt he might have been in Mexico City. Yet the Hispanic community has a high proportion of young people who have either dropped out of high school, or graduated without learning the rudiments of reading, writing and arithments.

A society with ever-rising stan-dards of technology is failing to educate about half its high school students to the minimum level which the new technology requires. This under-educated half includes a high proportion of Afro-Americans, Latino-Americans and welfare dependent Americans from the big cities. If at the age of 17 you do not know what 9/100 is when it is expressed as a percentage, and cannot write a one-paragraph job application, you cannot expect to share in the new opportunities of the information age.

t is not surprising that the Benjamin Banneker Academic High School should seem an attractive solution. Perhaps it is more unexpected that the grammar school should commend itself as a model to a liberal Democratic First Lady like Hillary Clinton, For 100 underprivileged Washington students a year, Banneker is indeed an almost miraculous escape. But it still leaves the big problem unresolved. How does the United States restore decent educational standards for the average high

Eight years ago the American high schools were among the best in the world, along with the grammar schools of England, and the Scottish. the German and the French school systems. How can the standards of the pioneer period in America be recovered, not just for the brightest 3 per cent, but for the great majority of students? That is a question on which the future of the United States in the

Who will make a Tory First XI?

Peter Riddell

on the problems

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Conservative

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varive leader this week will need to be robust and resilient in the face of frustration and division. He will have to have all the qualities recommended in if, by Kipling, Margaret Thatcher's favourite poet — notably on keeping your head - though he is term with disaster than that other impostor, triumph. The next few years, and possibly longer, are likely to be pretty miserable.

The leadership election itself is likely to resolve little. It never could, because the Tories' problem is not the identity of their leader. They were not routed because of John Major. He had his faults, but he was more victim than cause of his party's malaise. The Tories lost because they looked, and look, divided, extreme, directionless, remote and self-ob-

First, the Tory party has to understand why it lost. Labour took two defeats, and the election of Neil Kinnock in 1983, even to begin to recognise how far out of touch it had got, and, arguably, it was not until after its third defeat in 1987 that the party started to rebuild its credibility as a potential government. This process was still only halfway com-pleted at the time of its 1992 defeat and it required Tony Blair's invention of "new" Labour to win back Middle

The Tories are still very early in that cycle. It is too early to say whether they are in the 1979-81 phase of self-destruction, or in the post-1983 period of rebuilding. Admittedly, the Tories have not suffered from an outburst of activist fanaticism. Their battered grass roots are too reduced



in number and too old for that. Rather, they are the ballast and the parliamentary party the less stable

The past six weeks of manoeuvring for the leadership have also in many ways disguised the real problems. This is partly because the surviving 164 MPs from the party's heartlands are the worst people to appreciate why the Tories have been wiped out in Scotland, Wales, all the big cities of the North and the Midlands and in large parts of the London suburbs.

Moreover, the rival candidates have mainly been uttering bland platitudes about a full-scale review party organisation and the like. They have sought to paper over divisions. But this cannot last. The re-emergence of Europe over the past few days has exposed

the fragility of any talk of unity. The opposition to Britain joining a single currency by John Redwood (for ever) and by William Hague (for the next ten years) would make it very hard for Kenneth Clarke and the pro-Europeans to serve in a Shadow team. I discount speculation about a formal split or defections, bar perhaps the odd maverick MP or peer. No one serious in the pro-European camp is planning that now. Nevertheless, a policy by a new leader that leaves a sizeable minority on the outside guarantees continued

It would be far better to follow the course recommended by Peter Lilley as well as Mr Clarke — of leaving the single currency as an open

question, especially as it is unlikely to arise until near the end of the

Parliament at the earliest. The new leader can ill afford to lose experienced people such as Mr Clarke and his close allies. Of the 21 members of the Commons in the Major Cabinet, one retired, seven lost their seats, three (Major, Heseltine and Bottomley) have opted for the back benches, leaving just ten. Of these, there are questions now about the future of Mr. Clarke, John Gummer and Douglas Hogg. That leaves the leadership contenders, plus Gillian Shephard, Stephen Dorrell, Brian Mawhinney and Sir George Young. And there were not many ministers of state clearly

deserving promotion to the Cabinet. In the Hague camp, Michael

Ancram and James Arbuthnot are

obvious candidates for the Shadow

Cabinet, along with ex-ministers who have just returned to the Commons such as Francis Maude and John Maples. The new leader would be sensible to keep his front bench small - no more than 50 - and to rely on organised help from the back benches when necessary, as was successfully tried at Treasury Questions last

The most important appointment may be the party chairman, given the need to reorganise the party and to create a national membership scheme. This alone could be worth 100,000 members, since, at present, a sizeable number, especially the many etired ones, move and do not join gain in their new homes.

The new chairman should be able to devote all this time to organisation and not have to worry about the Commons, and also not be seen as a for either a peer on the Woolton or Hailsham precedents or a defeated former minister, such as Michael

Il this rebuilding is a necessary, but not a sufficient, condition for regaining power. That opportunity will arise only when the Government slips up and alienates its new supporters. Perhaps the harshest lesson for Tory MPs is that they no longer have the initiative. They can make a fuss, and can expose inconsistencies in the Government's approach. But what they think and say on policy is virtually irrelevant. That is why it is daft to take fixed positions now when so much may change.

For this and many other reasons not least the support for him outside Westminster - Mr Clarke looks the best candidate to lead the Tories for the next few years. He would keep the party in the political mainstream.

Mr Hague has many qualities and has more clear-cut views on policy than his right-wing critics allege. But he is largely untested for what are likely to be several gruelling years ahead. His best chance of becoming Prime Minister might be if he became Conservative leader in four or five years' time, rather than

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STUDENTS of the work of Frederick Delius have long been divided over whether he fathered a son by a black woman in Florida. Now the issue looks likely to be settled by the violinist Tamsin Little, who next month presents a programme on BBC 2 called Delius's Lost Son, in which she proves as near as dammit that in the swampland of Florida, the composer of Brigg Fair was known as "Pa".



Little's interest in Delius's love life was sparked when writing a dissertation on the composer in which she learnt that, when in Florida in 1884-85, Delius, then 22, had an affair with a black sweetheart called Chloe who later bore him a son. When Delius returned to Florida in 1897, he tried to find his lover and child but they had disappeared. Hence, according to Little, the feeling of nostalgia and aching unrequitedness in Delius's work, which is widely agreed to have matured after 1897.

When the Delius Society published Little's views, she came under fierce attack by Delius scholars in Florida. They called her a fantasist, saying she was making up things to fit her own interpreta-

tion of the music. Fired by this, Little headed off to America in search of evidence of the Florida Deliuses. With the help of a genealogist, she found that there had been a Chloe Baker living near where Delius had lived and that she had given birth to a Frederick W. Baker. All that is left to prove is the final link between Frederick Baker and Frederick Delius. Little is optimistic, saying:



transmission date of the programme."

Fast food

ONE of Britain's clutch of Michelin three-starred restaurants is on the move. Marco Pierre White's The Restaurant, which currently lodges at the Hyde Park Hotel in Knightsbridge, is said to be about to transfer to Le Meridien, a Forte hotel in Piccadilly.

The move is sure doubly to upset White's present lessor at the Hyde Park Hotel, Mandarin Oriental. Not only have they lost their star chef but he is going to a hotel owned by Granada, the group which sold the Hyde Park to Mandarin Oriental only last November. White, a cook prone to shouting

and physical abuse in the name of fussy French cooking, is expected to bring some panache to a hotel which at present has all the charm of a Folkestone boarding house.

Party plan

THE DUCHESS of St Albans's annual summer party tonight is in danger of being sabotaged by American parvenus from Palm Beach, Florida. For the past 33



"I shouldn't take everything Prince Charles says about teachers so seriously, dear

years, the Australian-born duchess, who recently separated from the duke, has hosted a party on the first Monday of Ascot for racegoers and canape scavengers at her London home. But this year, before the duchess had even printed her invitations, a couple of aspiring socialites by the name of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Kirkbride had sent out their own to a rival bash on the same night. Embarrassingly for the duchess, their guest lists have a large overlap, and it is feared that many will opt for cocktails with the Kirkbrides, rather than drinks with the duchess. To remind guests that hers is the more established event, the titled Australian has added the handwritten inscription to all her invitations, "34th consecutive pre-Ascot party".

◆ Marlene Gingrich, wife of Newt, the Speaker of the US House of Representatives, recently chose Zoo Atlanta, in Georgia, as the place to celebrate her husband's 54th birthday last Saturday. Gingrich has been a little down of late as his star has waned dramatically since 1994, when he orchestrated the Republicans' recapture of Congress. Alongside him at the bash was Willie B. the 200's prize gorilla, who was 39 on the same day. According to Mike Shields, head of the Friends. of Newt Gingrich, the Speaker

"wanted to be a zoo-keeper when he was a kid". By becoming Speaker of the House, some might say he got

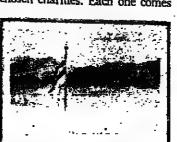
Dirty film

SWAMPY and his troglodytes have been awarded top marks for initiative by Granada Television. The environmental activists were given video cameras by the makers of a World in Action documentary on the Manchester airport runway protest in order to film their subterranean activities. But the eco-warriors had a problem. Just how were they going to get the footage past the Cheshire police on the barricades? Simple, hide it where no God-fearing mortal would dare to

look -- in their underwear. The cassettes, however, were not as squalid as one would imagine. With extreme foresight, the producers bought the protesters a couple of pairs of Calvin Kleins each. The documentary, entitled Through the Cakehole after the name of the tunnel, will be screened on ITV

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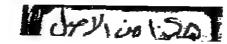
Wales are proving to be a wise buy. The latest of the Prince's works is a watercolour entitled Double Haven Bay, Hong Kong from HMY Britannia and will be issued in an edition of just 100 to coincide with the handover of the colony to China in two weeks' time. Any money raised (more than £2 million has been collected since he started issuing lithographs) goes to the Prince's chosen charities. Each one comes



The Royal bay watch

with a book of the Prince's watercolours introduced by his grandmother, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother. The lithograph will cost just over £3,000 through the CCA galleries, though if previous artistic efforts by the Prince are anything to go by it can be expected to triple in value within the next three to four years.

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NEW START FOR HOUSING

Labour's opportunity to change the streets where we live

When Gordon Brown rises next month to announce his first Budget, his decision on energy inefficient. In Britain, where half of mortgage tax relief will be headline news. But in terms of British housing strategy, this is among the least important of the decisions that confront the new Government. For Britain is facing a "housing boom" of a different and more troubling kind to the one suggested by last month's steep rise in house prices. Within the next 20 years, the number of households will grow by 4.4 million more than exist today in Greater London. This will not only create huge extra demand for housing; because of migration, it will be heaviest in the already congested southern counties of England such as Surrey, Berkshire and Hampshire.

The cause is not demographic growth -Britain's population has been roughly stable since the 1960s - but a rapid shift in demographic patterns. By the time today's kindergarten children reach adulthood, a mere half of Britain's houses are likely to be occupied by the traditional family unit of parents and children; divorce and increasing longevity will between them generate an explosive growth in single occupancy, from a fifth to a third of the total.

In a free country, little can be done to change this trend. But the decisions taken now will make a considerable impact on the ways in which rising demand is met, and the effects on Britain's future environment.

New households need not and should not always mean new houses, for example. The Budget is expected to confirm Labour's pledge to release the £5 billion of capital accumulated by local authorities from council house sales, and use it to increase public spending on housing. That money should be used not for new housing, but for the renovation and conversion of existing stock and neighbourhood improvement. The aim should be to improve privately rented stock as well as public housing and to concentrate on deprived areas, because they are the least likely to attract private developers. In addition, the Government should build on John Gummer's wise decision, just before leaving office, to ease restrictions on convert-

ing office buildings into flats. The environmental argument against

all dwellings were built before 1945, household energy consumption is twice that of Switzerland's. But since 90 per cent of these houses will still be in use in 2020, upgrading them makes obvious sense. And in a country as densely populated as Britain, large scale building of new houses has potentially dev-

astating environmental costs. These are particularly heavy because of the pronounced consumer preference for homes in "leafy areas": Britain's rural population increased by 7 per cent in the 1980s. However much stress is placed on renovation, many new houses will be built in the next two decades. Radical thinking is therefore required about the scale, the design, the density and the location of new housing. Kitemarks for new houses should be introduced, covering not only energy efficiency but the economical use of land, transport and water resources. Consumer preferences are too readily taken for granted. Developers should be encouraged to learn from cities such as Bremen, where neighbourhoods for people who do not want to own a car are heavily oversubscribed.

Britain has had more than enough ribbon development. If the countryside is to be adequately protected, demand needs to be nudged away from rural areas and greenfield sites. The existing target of building 50 per cent of new homes in inner cities or derelict "brownfield" sites should be raised, to 70 per cent. That is realistic only with a more determined effort to make Britain's towns and cities more attractive. But sticks can be used as well as carrots.

Some are fiscal. The Chancellor should listen carefully to the strong environmental case for VAT on new housing, and to Liberal Democrat ideas for a special tax on development of greenfield sites, which are currently cheaper to build on than reclaimed land. Others will involve a more integrated approach to planning that links housing decisions more closely to jobs and transport. Green lobbies too easily characterise the changing pattern of Britain's households as a threat. With the right mix of radical policies, it could become an opportunity.

ASIA ON-LINE

Singapore and Malaysia struggle for Silicon Valley supremacy

The challenge to Europe comes from the East. That much can be agreed at the Amsterdam summit. Despite exhortations from British Prime Ministers of both parties, most politicians and all trade unionists on the Continent continue to prefer protection to competition. Asia's economic threat is often characterised as that of inexpensive manufactured exports based on a cheap and frequently exploited labour force. For Europe to abandon its 50-year social security arrangements to match sweatshops in Shanghai would represent, in Lionel Jospin's words, "the end of civilisation".

Would that the world were so simple. Rapidly developing nations such as China may currently rely on mass-produced goods. But the real impetus in the near future will come instead from high technology. The extent of Asia's advantage can be seen in the quiet struggle between Singapore and Malaysia for "Silicon Valley" status. The investment concerned far exceeds any such effort in Europe. To borrow from Tony Blair, the EU must modernise or die.

Singapore is on schedule to complete its -"Intelligent Island" programme in 2.000. All 800,000 households and every business in the country will be connected to a high-speed interactive cable network - the largest of its kind in the world. This will initially allow nationwide access to cable television. Internet services and government offices. Shortly after that, a National Information Infrastructure will provide the whole city-state with interactive libraries, banking, shop-

ping, civic services and video-conferencing. With a land area 500 times larger than its tiny neighbour, Malaysia cannot hope to match the Intelligent Island. However, its

alternative is equally ambitious. The "Multimedia Super-Corridor" is larger than Singapore. It runs from the Petronas Twin Towers — the largest building on the planet — to a new international airport. A fibre-optic network will connect every corporation. Electronic government, "smart schools", and tele-medicine will then follow.

None of this has happened by accident. Political will and substantial inducements to the private sector have combined to make it possible. Singapore's Prime Minister, Goh Chok Tong, has seized personal charge of the project and run it as others would a wareffort, Malaysia's Prime Minister, Mahathir Mohamad, has been no less forceful in his approach. He has taken a two-month sabbatical from all other duties solely to promote the Super-Corridor to companies in Europe and the United States. Both men have used cheap land, tax concessions and minimal regulations to attract interest. Despite their intense rivalry for ultimate supremacy, each nation should prosper for its efforts.

This is the real Asian challenge - high skills not low salaries - and Europe needs to appreciate it. The new Silicon Valleys, not the stereotype sweatshops, are its form. There are risks in selecting one specific aspect of new technology -- as Singapore and Malaysia have done with cable networks - in this rapidly changing sector. The returns, economic and social, are still likely to prove immense. Where these two nations lead, others in the Far East will certainly follow. European leaders may choose to ignore or deplore these trends but they cannot change them. Neither can trade unions in France or elsewhere. We have seen the future: it lies online not on picket lines.

LEAVE THE CAR BEHIND

A thought at the start of Walk to School Week

School Week, an offshoot of the Don't Choke Britain campaign. This campaign runs for the rest of June and is backed by 400 transport and environmental organisations and local authorities, as well as the Government. And it comes none too soon. Three times as many junior school children are driven to school in Britain as in Germany. There is another striking difference over time. In 1971, 87 per cent of British eightyear-olds took themselves to school without an adult. Now the figure is just 11 per cent.

One survey estimates that parental escorting duties take 900 million hours a year, costing up to £20 billion in lost earnings and congestion costs to other road users. School runs are calculated to make up a fifth of rush-hour traffic, and a quarter of them are of a mile or less. Since an engine is at its most noxious when cold, these short journeys add most to pollution. This can be at its worst at the school gate, affecting those who arrive on foot as well. The London Borough of Camden recently found that the carbon-monoxide level outside one of its primary schools rose at dropping-off time from 0.25 parts to million to 2.5 parts per million. Meanwhile one of the most common school

Today is the beginning of National Walk to accessories is an inhaler. The rate of child asthma has doubled in 20 years.

Some of these car journeys are unavoidable. Increased school choice has allowed parents to send their children to schools that are farther away. There may be no public transport alternative. But there are many parents who are too lazy to walk to school, and too nervous to let their children go on their own. This is a great pity, and not just for other road users and those who have to breathe the air. Children learn from walking - how to negotiate traffic safely and how to deal tactfully but firmly with strangers. There is a sharp rise in road casualties when children reach secondary school age, suggesting that they have not assimilated road safety skills. Crossing roads with an adult is the best way to learn them.

Parents should ask themselves "Is my journey really necessary?" If it is, can it be carried out on foot or on public transport? If the car is the only possible mode, can the school run be shared? Can a bus be organised? What can be done to reduce the heavy loads that children are made to carry? It is time, as Frances Lawrence memorably said, to put an end to children being driven to school "like freight behind plate glass".

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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leadership choices

From Miss Ann Widdecombe. MP for Maidstone and the Weald (Conservative)

Sir, The real message coming from Ken Clarke's overwhelming victory last week in the poll of Conservative associations throughout Great Britain is that the party in the country wants the party in Parliament to stop destroying itself over the ideological batties of the past and to concentrate on selecting a convincing leader for the

It is not even Ken Clarke's views on Europe which the Right find hard to accept -- after all, he opposes making any of the further concessions to Brussels which Blair is likely to agree at Amsterdam — but his views solely on the single currency. Yet this is no long-er an issue which warrants the high emotion it regularly causes. First, the Conservative Party is not in charge of the agenda and will not be for five years, by which time the European picture will be considerably different. Ken Clarke has always made it clear that he will never join a fudged EMU. We are therefore in danger of tearing ourselves apart over nothing.

As a "Eurosceptic" I support Ken Clarke in the reality of the present situation. As a rightwinger I agree with the assessment of him that Margaret Thatcher made in her autobiography: ... he was tough in dealing with vested interests and Trade Unions,

direct and persuasive in his exposition of Government policy". At Health and Education he put in place far-sighted and often unpopular reforms that are now really delivering results.

Undeniably he has the strength of presentation and personality we need if we are to confound Tony Blair.

The party is both its Right and its Left and if it becomes the exclusive preserve of one or the other then it ceases to be the Conservative Party. That is why my vote on Tuesday will be a tangible demonstration of that conviction.

Yours faithfully, ANN WIDDECOMBE, House of Commons. June 15.

From Sir Fergus Montgomery and others

Sir, As Conservative M.Ps who retired from Parliament at the last election. we have seen a number of party lead-

There has never been a more important time than now to make the right choice. The party must elect a new leader around whom the whole party can unite, who can bring in fresh ideas and new activists, and who can state our policies in a clear way: commands public support.

To achieve that, we believe the party must elect William Hague.

Yours faithfully, FERGUS MONTGOMERY. JACK ASPINWALL, KENNETH CARLISLE, JOHN HANNAM. STEVE NORRIS, WYN ROBERTS. JAMES SPICER. NEVILLE TROTTER. 6 Groby Place, Altrincham, Cheshire.

From Mrs Julian Sandys

Sir, Is integrity, once a proud British hallmark, now considered optional for a Conservative Party leader? First Mr Hague reneges on an agreement with Mr Howard (report, May 7). Then Messrs Howard and Lilley act despicably over an earlier agreement with Mr Redwood (report, June 11). Now this questionable trio have united in order to achieve the apparently desirable aim of keeping out either of the other two candidates in the interests of party unity.

Yet those other two candidates, Mr Clarke and Mr Redwood, are the only ones who have shown themselves to be completely straightforward in the debacle since the recent election. Thankfully, they are still standing.

Though my own preference is for a right-wing candidate fin this case, Mr Redwood) 1'd rather choose an honest leftwinger than be asked to trust anyone whose "word" is suspect before they even begin. I find the scheming of the trio distasteful, the "stop Clarke" campaign unworthy, and the judgment of Mr Redwood as "unelectable" no different to that given against Mrs Thatcher at a similar time in her life.

Yours faithfully, ELISABETH SANDYS, Charmwood, Shackleford, Godalming, Surrey.

From Mrs Pamela Morgan

Sir, Why doesn't the Conservative Party wait for Chris Patten to come back from Hong Kong, find him a seat and then elect him as leader? He has all the qualities of leadership and he has not been sullied by the last few years of Tory government.

Yours faithfully. PAMELA MORGAN, 9 Winterstoke Gardens, Mili Hill, NW7.

From Dr Erich Steiner

Sir. Offering drinks to potential voters fletters. June II and 12) is bribery.

Sincerely, ERICH STEINER, Primrose Cottage, Mill Road, Exeter, Devon.

Weighing up Tory The law and release of sex offenders

From the Chief Executive of Nacro

Sir. Police concerns about the threat posed by a paedophile released to the Merseyside area (report, June 9) illustrate an important gap in the law. The offender concerned has served a lengthy prison sentence for a sexual offence, but is not subject to compulsory post-release supervision.

This is because he was sentenced before the Criminal Justice Act 1991. when offenders who did not receive parole were released without supervision - and inevitably the most dangerous offenders are the least likely to get parole. While those sentenced since the 1991 Act receive post-release supervision, these periods are often relatively short. Legislation is urgently needed to in-

troduce extended supervision for sexoffenders on release from prison. Postrelease supervision can include conditions, for example requiring the of-fender to live in a specified place and to take part in a treatment programme. Breach of conditions or failure to co-operate with supervision can result in recall to custody.

The last Government's Crime (Sentences) Act contained provision for such extended supervision. However, the drafting of the legislation makes it impossible to implement this particular measure without simultaneously implementing sweeping and controversial provision which would severely restrict parole and early-release systems for all offenders.

A short Bill limited to the extended supervision of released sex offenders would receive all-party support and could reach the statute book in a mat-

Yours faithfully, HELEN EDWARDS, Chief Executive, Nacro (National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders), 169 Clapham Road, SW9.

From the General Secretary of the Association of Chief Officers of Probation Sir, In the face of what increasingly appears to be a campaign to introduce a policy of community notification on the whereabouts of sex offenders, a word of warning must be uttered. Neither community notification (or "Megan's Law", as it is sometimes known) nor a register of sex offenders can be the panacea that brings greater

protection to our children. Community notification is unproven in practice and flawed in concept. since the prescribed geographical boundaries may be unobserved by offenders. It will also actively militate against the properly managed supervision and monitoring of offenders who have been convicted of sex offences against children by driving

them underground. it is doubtful whether the sexoffenders register could ever become the protective shield that many believe it might be, although it may have some limited worth. Only a fraction of offenders are ever successfully detected, convicted or appropriately sentenced.

Those who eventually reach the register will be massively outweighed by those who appear as normal citizens to all but their terrified young victims. A register is a recipe for disappointment as it will never live up to the grand promises it is being sold on.

Real public protection requires several levels of action. Improved detection and prosecution to conviction have a huge and largely forgotten role in protecting children, while custodial sentences need to pivot on treatment and risk assessment.

At release - the stage that most worries the public - professional supervision is the only proven way to reduce reoffending whilst still remaining alert to the risk of another crime being committed.

This process needs to be extended and endowed with the proper powers to ensure swift recall to prison when necessary.

Yours sincerely, MARY HONEYBALL, General Secretary, Association of Chief Officers of Probation, 212 Whitechapel Road, El.

University museums

From the Chairman of the Museums & Galleries Commission

Sir, Over the past few weeks, the Museums & Galleries Commission and the North of England Museums Service have been in discussion with the University of Newcastle over the future of the Hatton Gallery (letter,

June 5). The MGC had urged the university to announce a period of grace in which alternative funding could actively be sought. We are naturally delighted that, through the prompt gen-erosity of Dame Catherine Cookson (report, June 11), the immediate future of the gallery seems to have been

secured. This incident highlights not only the vital role that benefactors continue to play in the support of our heritage, but also the parlous state of many university museums. The Hatton is but one of a number of museums and collections of distinction currently facing severe financial pressures which, as the Hatton nearly demonstrated, can all too easily prove

I hope that the current Dearing review into the funding of higher education will articulate the case for university museums and thereby provide the Government with an opportunity to put their support on a proper footing at last. Ministers should work together to seize this opportunity.

Yours faithfully, JAMES JOLL Chairman, Museums & Galleries Commission. 16 Queen Anne's Gate, SWI.

Eclipse of Russia

From Mr J. Enoch Powell Sir, It is a long time since you pub-

lished anything so far-sighted as the article by Lord Rees-Mogg on the absence of Russia from European affairs The Russian tiger is ready to roar", Russia is Britain's natural ally and

a strong Russia makes for a strong Britain; but we are separated from them by a turnultuous continent. I hope we have not been so far influenced by American opinion as to abandon the natural balance of power in Europe which France and Germany are trying to destroy.

Yours faithfully, J. ENOCH POWELL. 33 South Eaton Place, SWI. Women's work

From Ms Shirley A. Barnes

Sir. Once again, women are being asked to work for nothing ("Ruddock takes job as minister without pay", report, June 12). I work for a local Relate centre. Our

36 volunteer counsellors all offer three or four hours of counselling each week, plus writing case notes and renured unpaid attendance at individual and group supervisions and training. Of those 36 volunteers. 33 are women. Their work is saving the public purse over £30,000 a year. I am not against volunteering: in-

deed. I think it is a useful way of providing public service which benefits both the receiver and the giver. How-ever, I do find it sad that the tradition of unpaid work for women - both in and out of the home - is being perpetunted by the status of a woman in a post that should be promoting equal opportunities for women, when she appears to be the only minister who has not been offered a salary.

Yours sincerely, SHIRLEY A. BARNES (Director). Relate (Central Middlesex). Civic Centre Complex. Station Road, Harrow, Middlesex.

Fish-eating birds From the Directors of The

Atlantic Salmon Trust and of The Salmon & Trout Association

Sir. The growing scale of damage caused inland by cormorants and other fish-eating birds (letters, June 10) is well established. Although the habitat of the European conmorant may no longer enjoy special conservation status (report and leading article, June 5), the bird itself remains firmly protected under EU law, just like its

British cousin. Effective and acceptable measures to reduce the damage to freshwater fish stocks are urgently needed. We represent but two of the concerned organisations who have welcomed the Government's current study of the problem, in the interests of responsible management. We trust that it will lead to early action in Europe and in the United Kingdom.

Yours faithfully. JOHN MACKENZIE Director. The Atlantic Salmon Trust). CHRIS POUPARD Director.

The Salmon & Trout Association), The Atlantic Salmon Trust, Moulin, Pitlochry, Perthshire. June II.

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Breaking up our antiquarian books

From the President of the Antiquarian Booksellers' Association

Sir. Your front-page puff for Ger-maine Greer's article on Tuesday. "Books and barbarism", wrongly states that we tried to ban it. The article, which was commissioned for the catalogue for our Antiquarian Book Fair at Grosvenor House later this month, contained implied criticism of some of our members. I therefore rejected it as inappropriate for its purpose; but at no time did we my to

Dr Greer raises important but difficult issues, Books have been cut up for their leaves and plates for hundreds of years. In the 18th and 19th century, for example, there was a vogue for collecting title pages (a practice now thankfully defunct) and many medieval manuscripts were plundered for their illuminated initials, John Ruskin being a notable collector. As a result there are thousands of leaves and plates from early books on the market.

Today early manuscripts tend to stay together, as they have a higher value complete than broken up, and in the book trade, as in any other, we respond to the demand of customers. When the demand for the individual prints of leaves exceeds the sum for the whole then the economic temptation is to break them up. Many dealers resist this and try to sell something complete if they possibly can. Most booksellers would prefer that books stay complete and do in fact only break defective copies.

Today's increasing emphasis by scholars on the cultural history of the book is changing collecting patterns. In due course, I am sure, it will change attitudes to the market in leaves and plates. However, I believe that Dr Greer's suggestion of a provenance register for these items, while laudable in some ways, would result in an unworkable bureaucratic night-

Yours sincerely, PETER MILLER,

Antiquarian Booksellers' Association, Sackville House, 40 Piccadilly, WI.

From Mr Roger Gaskell

Sir. The main reason why Germaine Greer's article was rejected by the Antiquarian Booksellers' Association was that the ABA, despite its name, includes print sellers among its menibers. They are, however, in a minority.

I am in no doubt that the majority of members deplore the practice of preaking books for prints as much as Dr Greer. Most of us, I think, welcome her comments and do indeed have a responsible attitude to the historical artefacts of which we are tem-

porary curators. Perhaps the time has come to sever the traditional links between the book selling and print selling trade.

Yours faithfully, ROGER GASKELL (ABA committee member). 17 Ramsey Road. Warboys, Cambridgeshire.

From Mr Keith Langridge

Sir, I can only agree with what Dr Germaine Greer has to say about the destruction of good books.

I had a stall in Portobello Road for six years during the 1980s. There were numerous booksellers in the area, on stalls or in the arcades. It was general practice to destroy old books that were in need of repair and restoration because this was the easiest and most profitable way to earn a living. The value of the book for academic purposes did not enter the minds of these

Our heritage is systematically being denigrated by the few who want to make a fast buck.

Yours faithfully. KEITH LANGRIDGE, 30a Warnborough Road, Oxford.

Bad sport

From Mr Philip Prior

Sir, Magnus Linklater, in Bowling the Scots a googly" (June 12), expresses his frustration at the reluctance of BBC Scotland to show the final overs of the Edgbaston Test. Dare I suggest that if England had been losing it might have been a very different

Yours sincerely. PHILIP PRIOR. 135 Chalmers Street, Dunfermline, File. June 12.

Fitting send-off

From the Reverend David Ward Sir, While I was visiting the parish

priest of Barga, a tiny village in northern Italy two years ago, my host proceeded to dispense Campari from his own coffin (article, June 4; letter, June 12). It was fitted with temporary shelves to carry bottles and glasses and it served, until the moment came for it to be put to its proper use, as a drinks cabinet.

Yours truly. DAVID WARD, Our Lady of Lourdes, Letham, 42 Struan Road, Perth, Tayside.



COURT CIRCULAR

The King's Troop, Royal Horse Artillery in Green Park, under the command of Major Keith Brooks, and from the Tower of London

Saluting Battery by the Honourable

Artillery Company, under the com-mand of Captain Bernard Baldwin.

June 14: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President, the

Royal Scottish Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, was present

this evening at a Gala Dinner at Drumoig Golf Club, Leuchars, dur-

ing the Drumoig Invitational held in aid of the Society.

Her Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Fife the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine

June 15: The Duke of Edinburgh. Patron and Twelfth Man, Lord's Taverners, this afternoon attended a

Patron's versus President's Charity Cricket Match at the Home Park

Cricket Ground. The Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded Mrs Christian Adams as Lady

June 15: The Prince Edward this afternoon attended the Dorchester Trophy at the Guards Polo Club. Smith's Lawn, Windsor Great Park.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 15: The Duchess of Gloucester.
Vice Patron, The Queen's Chib, today
presented the prizes at the Men's

presented the prizes at the Men's Singles Final of the Stella Artois

Grass Court Championships at The

ST JAMES'S PALACE
June 15: The Duchess of Kent. Patron,

the Yorkshire County Cricket Club, this morning attended the Cricket Match between Surrey and Yorkshire

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Captain Charles Clifton, Coldstream Guards, to be Temporary Equerry to Her Majesty in succession to Captain Charles

A memorial Mass will be cele-

brated for the Hon Mrs Ralph Cowdy, née Haidée Rawlinson, at

Brompion Oratory, Brompion Road, London SW7, at 4pm on

A reception will be held after

wards in St Joseph's Hall, the

Orley Farm School

Old Boys' Day at Orley Farm School will be held on Sunday, July 6. RSVP: Headmaster's Office

at the Oval, London SEII.

The Hon Mrs

Raiph Cowdy

Thursday, June 19.

Oratory House.

or call 0181-422 1525.

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June 14: Her Majesty was present at
The Queen's Birthday Parade on
Horse Guards Parade this morning. The Queen was accompanied by The Duke of Edinburgh (Colonel, Grenadier Guards). The Duke of Kent (Colonel, Scots Guards), The Prince of Wales (Colonel, Welsh Guards) and The Grand Duke of Luxembourg (Colonel, Irish Guards). Her Majesty was attended by Major General the Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard (Colonel, The Life Guards, Gold Stick in Waiting General Sir Desmond Fitzpatric (Colonel, The Blues and Rovalsi, Lieutenant General the Hon Sir William Rous (Colonel, Coldstream

William Rous (Colonel, Coldstream Guards) and Major General lain Mackay-Dick (Major General Commanding Household Division). The Lord Somerleyton (Master of the Horse), Lieutenant Colonel Seymour Gilbart-Denham (Crown Equerry). Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm Ross, Lieutenant Colonel Anthony Mather (Mounted Equerries in thorn Mather (Mounted Equerries in Waitings, Captain Charles Wint (Dismounted Equerry In Waitin and Colonel Peter Rogers (The Blues and Royals, Silver Stick in Waiting

were in anendance.

Colonel Paul Belcher (Chief of Staff), the Silver Stick Adjutant, Regimental Adjutants of Foot Guards and the Household Division Staff

The Troops on Parade, under the command of Lieutenant Colonel John Stewart, Scots Guards (Field Officer in Brigade Waiting), received The

Queen with a Royal Salute.
Queen Elizabeth The Queen
Mother, The Prince Edward, The
Duke and Duchess of Gloucester. e Duchess of Kent. Princess Mich ael of Kent, Princess Alexandra, the Hon Lady Ogilvy and the Rt Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy and other Members of the Royal Family drove to Horse Guards Parade and witnessed The Queen's Birthday Parade. The Grand Duchess of Luxem-

bourg was also present.

On the conclusion of the Purade, Her Majesty drove in a carriage back Her Majesty drove in a carriage back to Buckingham Palace at the head of The Queen's Guard, preceded by the Massed Mounted Bands of the Household Cavalry, the Sovereigns under the command of Captain Giles Howson, The Life Guards, and the Massed Bands of the Guards, and the Massed Bands of the Guards. Massed Bands of the Guards

On arrival at Buckingham Palace The Queen's Guard entered the Forecourt and formed up opposite the Old Guard, the remaining Guards marching past Her Majesty. The King's Troop, Royal Horse Artillery and the Household Cavairy ranked past The Queen.

Her Majesty, from Buckingham Palace, witnessed a fly-past by Tor-nado GRI, VCIO, Harrier, Jaguar, Tristar, Tornado F3, Sentry and Nimrod aircraft, and the Red Arrows of the Royal Air Force, led by Wing Commander Peter Rycroft, to mark the official celebration of The Queen's Royal Salutes were fired today by

A year on, Manchester remembers IRA bomb

BY A STAFF REPORTER

MORE than a thousand people packed Manchester Cathedral yesterday for a service to mark the anniversary of the biggest terrorist bombing in Britain.

Victims joined members of the emergency services and civic leaders in giving thanks that no one died in the blast that left more than 200 people injured and caused £500 million of damage

Megan Garrity, an Il-year old chorister, sang Let There Be Peace On Earth. She had sung the hymn in a cathedral service only a week after the bombing.

loss of life."

allows us magnificent oppor-

tunities brilliantly disguised as insoluble problems.

Clare College, Cambridge, 70: Sir John Peel, former MP, 85: Lord

Perry of Walton, FRS, 76; Mr

Lord Richardson, 87; Sir Ralph

Robins, chairman, Rolls-Rovce, 65:

man. London Philharmonic, 47:

Professor Erich Segal, classicis

and writer, 60: Sir Nigel Wicks, civil servant, 57: Mr Simon Wil-

liams, actor, 51; Sir David Wright, diplomat, 53.

Guild of Freemen of the City

Sir Anthony Grant, Master of the Guild of Freemen of the City of

London, presided at a luncheon held on Saturday at Sandown Park

during their annual visit to the

Luncheon

Mr Robert St John Wright, cha

Enoch Powell, former MP, 85;

"That has been something

The congregation heard leaders of the city's emergency services speak of the devastation left by the one-ton bomb. Chief Superintendent Peter Harris, police commander in the city centre, spoke of the "great personal risk" run by his officers as they evacuated 80,000 shoppers after the coded warning. He said: "The officers were in close proximity to the bombcarrying vehicle for a prolonged period. They acted in the very highest traditions of the service and undoubtedly helped save lives."

Clive Heather, ambulance service operational manager, said: "Many still bear the psychological and physical

Lord Aberdare, 78; Mr Anthony

Abrahams, former chairman,

Harpur Trust, 74: Lord Astor of Hever, 51: Miss Elleen Atkins.

ctress, 63; Lord Patrick Beresford.

bloodstock agent, 63; the Hon

Neville Berry, 83; Mr James Bolam, actor, 59: Lieutenant-Gen-

eral the Hon Sir Thomas Boyd-

Carpenter, 59; Mr Grant Rox, rugby player, 35; the Very Rev Dr K.G. Franz, Provost, St Ninian's

Cathedral, Perth. 44; Mr T.W.

Graveney, former cricketer, 70; Mr John Hadfield, author and pub-

lisher, 90: Professor H.J. Hanham

former Vice-Chancellor, Lancaster

University, 69; the Right Re-

David Konstant. Bishop of Leeds, 67: Mr Rodney Lund, former

chairman, Short Brothers, 61; Mr

Neil MacGregor, director, National Gallery, 51; Professor Robert

Matthews, FBA. former Master.

Birthdays today

Megan Garrity, 11, sings Let There Be Peace On Earth at Manchester Cathedral scars of that day, but it is of the Manchester experience over the last year, as we have remarkable that there was no tried to play our part in the age-old human story of the The Very Rev Kenneth Riley, the Dean of Man-chester, said: "There is a constant struggle to keep hope alive, to bring good out saying that God sometimes of evil, and new life out of the

ashes of destruction." A tree was planted in the cathedral grounds during the service as a symbol of the

Royal engagements

The Queen and the Duke of

Edinburgh will give a Garter luncheon in the Waterloo Cham-her, Windsor Castle, at 1.00; and,

accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will attend a Service for the Order of the Garter in St

George's Chapet at 3.00. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, the Prince of Wales, the Princess Royal, the Duke and Duchess of

Princess Margaret will visit the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Edg-

baston, Birmingham, and onen the

Pathology X-ray extension, North Hampshire Hospitals NHS Trust, at the North Hampshire Hospital, Aldermaston Road, Basingstoke,

at 1.45; and will open Parklands Hospital for the North Hamnshire

Neuro-Sciences Centre at 2.15. Princess Alexandra will open the

will also attend.

PERSONAL COLUMN

ester and the Duke of Kent

and plans for the redesigned city centre were symbolically placed on the altar. Loddon Community NHS Trust at 2.50. Later, as Patron of the Warrior Preservation Trust, she

will attend a reception at 6.30 on

board HMS Warrior 1860 at HIM

city's regeneration. More

than £400 million of private

sector and public money is being ploughed into the rede-

velopment after 700 buildings

A stone of thanksgiving

was unveiled in the cathedral

were damaged.

The Rev Dr **Donald Gray**

Naval Base, Portsmouth.

Solemn Eucharist to mark the 40th anniversary of the ordination of the Rev Dr Donald Gray, Canon of stminster and Chaplain to the Speaker, was celebrated on Saturday in St Margaret's Church Westminster Abbey by former curates, priest vicars and Canon Gray's family. Mrs Gray gave a luncheon in College Garden afterwards.

Nature notes appear on page 23 today

Forthcoming marriages

Mr R.R. Spedding

The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of Sir David and Lady Spedding, of Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, and Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Patrick Ellion, of Boars Hill.

Mr A.C.E. Flanagan and Miss L.L. Dresher

The engagement is announced between Adrian, second son of Mr and Mrs Gerald Flanagan, of Natal, South Africa, and London. and Louise, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Dresher, of Great Milton, Oxfordshire.

Mr R.C.J. Hopkins ami Min II.A. Poster

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs John Hopkins, of Cambridge and Rosie, eldest daughter of the late Mr Michael Potter and of Mrs Ann Potter, of Totnes, Devon. Mr D. Meredith Jones

and Miss C. Wood

The engagement is announced between Daniel, son of Nigel Meredith Jones and Mary Meredith Jones, of Caldy, Wirral, and Clare, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gerard Wood, of Stone.

Dr A.I. Multiolizati and Dr A.T. Hadisəle

The engagement is announced between Adrian, son of Mr and Mrs John Mulholland, of Hale, Cheshire, and Andrea, daughter of Mr and Mrs Robin Hadfield. of Chalfont St Peter, Bucking-

Mr C.A. Sims and Miss R.J.A. Taylor The engagement is announced between Christopher Adhemar,

son of Mr and Mrs John Simson of Bowlhead Green, and Rosalino Judith Anne, daughter of Mr Martin Taylor, of Penrhyn Bay, and Mrs Maureen Taylor, of

Mr A.C.G. Thom and Miss L.J. Dilley

The engagement is announced between Colin, son of the late Mr Andrew Thom and of Mrs Robins Thom, of Largs (formerly of Coatbridge), Scotland, and Loren Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Martyn Dilley, of Wands-

East Riding of Yorkshire Shrievalty

The County Legal Service of the East Riding of Yorkshire Shrie-valty was held on June 15 at Howden Minster, The Archbishop of York preached the sermon and Lord Justice Schiemann read a lesson. The Lord Lieutenant was present Baroness Emerton represented The Order of St John. The High Sheriff and Mrs Peter Carver gave a luncheon party at North

Marriages

Mr A.D.G. Sells and Miss S.P. Williamson

The marriage took place on Sal-urday in the Lady Chapel of Westminster Abbey of Mr Adrian Sells, elder son of Mr David Sells. of London, W14, and of Mrs Pauline Sells, of Overthorpe. Oxfordshire to Miss Susan Williamson, twin daughter of Marshal of the RAF Sir Keith and Lady Williamson, of Burnham Market, Norfolk, The Very Rev Dr Wesley Carr, Dean of Westminster, officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and Mr John de Forte was best man.

A reception was held at Church House and the honeymoon will be spent in Italy.

Mr J.B. Chevallier Guild and Miss D.K. Hosking

The marriage took place on Sat-urday, June 14, 1997, at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Eye, Suffolk, of Mr Barry Chevallier Guild, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Chevallier Guild, to Miss Dale Hosking, second daughter of Mr and Mrs David Hosking, of London. The Rev Graham Noble

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Mr Henry Chevallier Guild was best man. A reception was held at Aspall Hall and the honeymoon is being spent in Italy.

Mr P.J.V. Holt and Mrs S.E. Theodorou

The marriage took place on Sat-urday, at St Peter's, Wrockwardine, Shropshire, of Mr Peter Holt, son of Mr and Mrs Vesey Holt, in of Mr and Mrs Eric Gantlett, of Cricklade, Wiltshire.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was at-tended by Lucinda Cantan, Katherine Ellis and Theo Bathurst, Mr Simon Ellis was best man.

Mr J.M. Laths and Miss B.J.R. Lyne

The marriage took place on Sat-urday, June 7, at the Church of St Madoc, Llanmadoc, Gower. be ween Mr Martin Latham, son of Mr Tim Latham and the late Mrs Kathleen Latham, of Leatherhead Surrey, and Miss Barbara Lyne. younger daughter of Air Vice Marshal and Mrs Michael Lyne. of Coleby, Lincoln.

The bride, who was given away

by her father, was attended by Alice and Jennifer Lyne. Mr Michaci Eaton was best man. A reception was held at Fairy Hill Hotel, Gower.

Mr M.B. Ryder and My J.C. Whish

was best man.

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The marriage took place on Sal-urday, June 14, at the Haycock, Wansford, of Matthew Brian Ryder, son of Mr and Mrs B. Ryder. of Dr and Mrs W.J.D. Whish. The bride was attended by Mrs Jane Herbert, Mr Lloyd Houghton

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So I tell you this: every sin and every simpler can be for-given, except stander against the Spirit; that will

ot be forgiven. Matthew 12 BIRTHS

BUDD - On 8th June 1997, to Gillian (nee Grandale) and Tom, a son, Matthew Charles Ramillon. Hill - On 10th June, to Annabel and Anthony a son, Orlando, a brother for Maicas.
LOSSEFF - On May 19th, to Nick and Carolyn (née Gabriel), a wonderful daughter, Isobel Allegra.

daughter, Isobel Allegra.

PENNICK - On May 19th, to
Laura and Deane, a daughter,
Sophie Beatrice, a sister for
Tarsie and Thomas. REEDER - On 10th June 1997

at Watterd General Dorphal to Helen (née McLuckie) and lan, a son Alexander William.

DEATHS

BECHEN - Michael, on Jone 5, aged 83 peacefully in France. A loving husband of the late Bloscom and until May 30th of Maryon. Father of Caroline, Sullivan and Jonathan and stepfather of Adrian and Bobert Ecles, grandfather of June, Jeffery, Allison, Veronica, Logan and Olivia, and greet grandfather of Peggle and Sandie. A funeral service has taken place at St Frivat des Pres. place at St Privat des Pres and a requiem mass will take place at the Brompton Oratory on 30th June at 11

Oratory on 30th june at 17
Chartile Commonly smilet in
London on 10th june
Warwick aged 52 years of
Bakewell Dearly loved and
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EDWARDS - On 12th June
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Robert (Joe) Edwards CRE
M.A. aged 38; much loved by
his family and friends.
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FERGUSON - Jesse, beloved

FERGUSON - Jesse, beloved son of Colin Perguson and Celin Potterton, unexpectedly in Majorta on 9th lune. 9th June.

Thomas Seccombe (Peter) Gray CB DSC EN End. On 12th June 1997 peacefully at Shaftesbury Hospital, aged 85 years. Dearly beloved husband of Sonia, much loved father of microles and loved father of Microbs and the late Olivia and grandfather of Henrietta and Moreus. Private cramation.
No flowers but any
donations to the West Durset
Macmillan Service, The
Undercroft, Herrington
Road, Dorchester, Dorset,
DTI 28].

HARRIS-ST JOHN Major Beaumont Jocelyn - The Burns (Bet'd) died pencefully at home aged 85 on June 10 1997. Belowed Bushmed of Anne and dear father of Jeremy and Sue and Grandfather of Oliver. Fanesal Wednesday 18 June 1997 at 2pm at All Saints Church, Dogmersfield, Hampshire. Flowers to E. Finch & Sons, 123 High St. Allershot, Rampshire.

REMEROY - Bin (née Binnt) 81, suddenly at home 10th June. Widow of Major Fred Kennedy, mother of Amher and Sun, grandmother of Zoe and Luke and step grentgrandmother of Anna. The subject of AH Saints, Old Heathrield, East Susses, on 18th June at June. Enquiries to F. Jempson & Son, Enrich 01424 772029.

wife and mother, passed away quistly in her sleep on 12th June 1997 after a long and bravely endured illness. Funeral at Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, nr. Crawley, at 2.30 pm on Friday 20th june. Family flowers only please. Demailment in UEHA (The Children's Charity) c/o WA. Stringer & Son, reh (01273) 603806.

Total Incom - Francis Died in Dublin on 20th April aged 42. He was born in Prescot, Lancachire on 6th Kovember 1954, Francis Temlinson less live. Funcis Tombuson has a broad experience of the finance industry, from his degree in law and politics later followed by a position in the administration of transactions are lifelined Bank. Es subsequently moved to London and Commental finance where he assumed in investment marketing role after covering numerous areas

covering numerous areas from credit analysis, from credit analysis, reorganisation of accounting systems to mangers and acquisitions. He joined Momura Capital Management (UE) is its early years and was mainly responsible for developing the company's marketing area as well as new products. He was also responsible for setting up the Complance cann as an estimation of this marketing role he also found thus to be an active manhoof AIMSE (Association of Investment Management Sales Executives). Francis had been a tireless Sales Executives). Francis had been a tireless section that interest days, a frequent rugby player, regby referee and a coach of the Bishops Stortford Rugby Club Under-Nines, and was a member of the Geat Hastern Golf Club, to name just a few of his interests. On weaknays be was a regular visitor to the sports club. He has also taken an active charity role in his spare time, hosting Romanian orphans for the Christmas period. But he was at his happiest with his family around him. He leaves a wife and three young children, funeral arrangements are still to be defined.

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WARDLE - Mary (nie Mackensie) on June 10th 1997, peacefully. Widow of Lance Wardle, late of Gasterd, near Corsham, Wiltshire. Much loved mother of Earnier and Victoria, grandmother of Espain and tracker of Espain and tracker of Espain and tracker of English (Indiana Control of English (English English English English English English (English English English English (English English English English English English (English English English English (English English English English English English (English English English English English English English English English (English English English

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DAME MONICA GOLDING

Dame Monica Golding DBE, RRC, former Matron-in-Chief of the Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps (QARANC), vied on June 6 aged 94. She was born on August 6, 1902.

onica Golding was a "lady with the lamp" who for four decades Enursed British soldiers and their families throughout the world, or directed those who did so. She served in India under the Raj. in France before Dunkirk in Egypt at the time of El Alamein and in troopships plying between Britain and the Far East.

She was matron of the casualty clearing station atrached to the British Expeditionary Force as the Army grimly retreated to Dunkirk an experience which she graphically recalled many years later.

"The hospital," she wrote, "consisted of a derelici house with a yard and stable, in the main street of a French village. A long narrow room off the street contained eight surgical beds, while a tiny room leading off it had two beds for officers. The kitchen at the rear was our operating theatre, a tent outside it served as the sterilising room while the stable was turned into our dispensary. Army engineers laid on water from the village pump and even made us an excellent lamp - with the help of petrol cans and some spare lightbulbs."

Acute cases were taken to the nearby village hall, whose dressing room was used for treating those with throat injuries. Three large marquees in fields at the back were for the walking wounded.

"We had an emergency case Fon our first night — a soldier with a perforated gastric ulcer. He survived!" wrote the young matron - then only 38 - who was eventually evacuated via Boulogne.

in February 1948 she was feted as she sailed home from Bombay — the last army nurse to leave India after Independence. Yet her family had been taken aback 20 years earlier when their only daughter, having just qualified as a nurse, announced her intention of joining the Army's nursing service.



She had been born Cecilie Monica Johnson at Chiswick, West London, into a devout not to say strict - Christian household. The Johnsons later moved and she went to Croydon secondary school before being accepted as a nursing trainee at the Royal Surrey County Hospital in Guildford. It was on leaving there that she joined what was then called the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service (its present title dates

Anxious to enlarge her nursing skills, she secured a place at the Louise Margaret Hospital, Aldershot, for special training in midwifery, then another at Queen Victoria's Institute of District Nursing,

from 1949).

before going out to India for five years in 1929.

Shortly after returning with the BEF from France in 1940 she was posted to the Middle East for three years, serving mainly at the 63rd General

Hospital in Egypt.
Wartime life in Egypt had its compensations, such as the Christmas dinner in 1942 which consisted of "Tomato soup, salmon paté, roast turkey, plum pudding, mince pies, dessert, wine and coffee". in the following year, howev-er, she returned to Britain to take over as principal matron in Southern Command.

Monica Johnson was back in India and South-East Asia between 1946 and 1948, then was in Singapore 1952-55. She was awarded the Royal Red Cross for services to nursing in

After a brief spell in charge of nursing in Eastern Command, she was made Matronin-Chief and Director of Army Nursing Services in 1956. Among her achievements, before she retired with the rank of brigadier in 1960, was the introduction of administrative officers to the corps — thus freeing the nursing officers to spend more time on their clinical responsibilities. She also held the title of honorary nursing sister to the Queen during her years at the top, and was appointed a Sister of the Order of St John.

Dame Monica (she was appointed DBE in 1958) cele-

brated her retirement from active nursing by getting married - to a widower, Brigadier the Rev Harry Golding. They had first met in 1938 on board a troop ship when Golding an officer in the Royal Army Pay Corps - was returning from Singapore with his first wife and two daughters. She became a close friend of the family and Harry Golding twho took Holy Orders on leaving the Army) married her

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He once said that he would have proposed to her before. But he felt that she would climb to the top of her profession and he did not want to get in her way.

In 1961, the same year in which she was married, Monica Golding was also made colonel commandant of the QARANC, and she and her new husband travelled round the world together in her new role, from their home in Bournemouth.

He died in 1969, however, and Dame Monica lived on her own until 1991 when she moved into the National Retired Nurses Home at Bournemouth - whose house committee she had chaired for

some years. Monica Golding was a matron of the old school who insisted on high professional and moral standards. She simply knew what was right and did it. But at the same time she was kindly and warm-hearted and cared for the careers and welfare of her

A deeply committed Christian, a legacy from her upbringing, she explained her life's motivating principle as "God's guidance throughout".

She was fond of all animals. especially cats, and fed the birds every morning from her window. She also loved motoring and was driving until her late 80s when, after an accident, she was finally persuad-ed that she should start using taxis. She had been largely immobilised, however, since breaking a hip six months ago.

Among her most treasured possessions was a signed photograph of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, whom she had met several times and greatly admired.

Dame Monica Golding's only brother died some years ago; she is survived by her two stepdaughters.

BULAT OKUDZHAVA

Bulat Okudzhava, poet, writer and singer, died in Paris on June 12 aged 73. He was born in Moscow on May 9, 1924.

IN THE late 1960s and 1970s, as the dead hand of Brezhnevism tightened its grip on arts and culture in the Soviet Union, the songs of Bulat Okudzhava gave millions of people a rare opportunity to escape from the dreary realities of life during what later became known as the era of stagnation.

While never quite a dissident. Okudzhava distanced himself from the accepted values of his day. His songs. with a simple guitar accompaniment, upheld love and personal emotions, rather than glorifying collective achievement, and put nostalgia for old streets before building socialism.

The innocent themes of his songs ensured that he was never in trouble with the authorities, despite becoming something of a cult figure among liberals who read hidden messages in his lyrics, even when they dealt with such mundane matters as taking the last trolleybus home. In a period of such enforced conformity, any sign of individuality could be interpreted as protest.

But his appeal went far beyond the liberal intellectual circle - it spanned generations and classes to spread to millions of people across the country. Almost any Russian over the age of 40 can quote from an Okudzhava song today, as could many born long after his heyday, such was their enduring quality.

The dissident image was reinforced by Okudzhava's historical novels, set in 19thcentury Russia and dealing with the hunting down of revolutionaries and dissident writers by ruthless agents of the tsarist secret police. While the parallels with Soviet practice would seem to have been obvious, they were ignored by the authorities and Okudzhava remained undisturbed. He was born in Moscow to a

Georgian father and Armenian mother. His father, a Communist Party functionary, was shot in 1937 at the height of the Stalin purges. His mother was arrested the same year and spent the next ten years in labour camps. into and corrupted by the

was just too young to be implicated himself. He was brought up by relatives and went to Tbilisi University in Georgia to study linguistics. In 1942 he abandoned his studies to volunteer to fight the Germans and was wounded. After the war he became a teacher at an agricultural college, then worked as a journalist before becoming poetry editor for the weekly Literary Gazette in 1956, at the dawn of the brief period of political liberalisation under

Aged 14 when his parents

were taken away, Okudzhava

Nikita Khrushchev. He left the paper in 1964 to devote his time to writing and performing his sones. By the 1980s he had become an established figure among Russia's literary elite and in 1994 he was awarded the Russian version of the Booker Prize for his novel The Closed-Down Theatre, a semi-auto-

biographical work exploring

the psychology of totalitarian-

ism and how intelligent and

decent people became drawn

He continued to write and give poetry readings until the end of his life, although troubled increasingly by heart problems. Sickness prevented him from collecting his prize personally in 1994 and he underwent heart surgery in the United States. He continued to travel

abroad and was on a private two-week visit to France this month when he was suddenly taken ill and admitted to the Höpital d'Instruction des Armées in the Paris suburb of Clamart, where he died some hours later, apparently after complications arising from pneumonia and kidney failure. His wife Olga, however, who survives him and who was with him in Paris, preferred to see his death as a result of his loneliness in a foreign country, unable to understand the language, away from people he knew.

"At the end, all he wanted was to be allowed to die in Moscow," she said.

JACQUES CANETTI

Jacques Canetti, record producer, died in Surespes, Hauts-de-Seine, on June 7 aged 88. He was born in Roustchouk, Bulgaria, on May 30, 1909.

A SMALL ad. placed by the Polydor company in Paris Solr in 1931, stating simply Sought, young man who likes music", marked the start of Jacques Canetti's long career in the French record business.

A highly educated man who was the brother of Elias Canetti, winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature, Jacques Canetti discovered or promoted many of the most famous prewar and postwar singers in country where the saying has it that life begins and ends avec une chanson.

His pool of talent included Casuch stars as Edith Piaf, Charles Trenet, Jacques Brel, Georges Brassens, Juliette Greco, Serge Gainsbourg and Guy Béart. He was the first record company executive to persuade leading actors and actresses — including Serge Reggiani, Simone Signoret and Jeanne Moreau - to turn

their talents to singing. He was active in the record business until the end of his life, although he had difficulties adapting to the singing styles that began appearing in France in the 1970s. The old romantic stars continued to sell records and fill musichalls and theatres, but the new generation, led by the local

rock'n'roll phenomenon Johnny Hallyday, began to take over in the charts.

Canetti was born into a comfortable family of Jewish traders. When they left Bulgaria, the brothers went in separate directions, Elias to Vienna, Jacques to Paris, where he studied at the leading Paris business school, Hautes Etudes Commerciales.

At Polydor, his first success was to persuade Mariene Dietrich, on one of her shopping trips to Paris, to record in French. However, at the outset, he was not a popular song specialist, being noted rather for producing recordings of Ravel and Alban Berg.

A first step was jazz. He arranged the initial French

tours of Louis Armstrong. Duke Ellington and Cab Calloway. He showed his dedication to a generation of new singers on his programme Le Musichail des Jeunes at Radio-Cité in Paris in 1936. He put the street-singer Piaf in front of the microphone. Charles Trenet also benefited from his encouragement.

At the outbreak of war, Canetti slipped to Algiers. where he was programme director of Radio-France, Al-ger, 1942-43. He also organised a group of chanson-niers who toured North Africa. It was at the Liberation that he became the dominant figure in French popular music, following his appointment as artistic director at Polydor-Philips, where he re-

mained until 1962, and his founding of the Théâtre des Trois Baudets in Pigalle. The stage there became the launching pad for Brel, Gainsbourg, Greco and the singing poet Georges

Canetti liked to boast that Philips was able to build a new record factory on the strength of its profits from a decade of Brassens. For Brassens and others of that postwar period, the words of a song were as important as the melody. Even though the theatre was in the red light district, the mood was Left Canetti organised success-

ful international tours by Maurice Chevalier and Yves Montand. He set up his own record company in 1962 after slamming the door at Philips, claiming they had hired Hallyday behind his back. He experimented successfully by bringing the celebrated actress Jeanne Moreau to the recording studio, as he had with Simone Signoret before. His big regret was that he failed to appreciate the potential of Charles Aznavour.

Singers praised Canetti for treating them as artists rather than products, and he remained a popular figure in French showbusiness circles. He entitled his memoirs On cherche jeune homme almant la musique, the words of the small ad in the 1930s. He is survived by two daughters and a son.

Edward Bishop, painter. died on June 7 aged 94. He was born on November II, 1902.

EDWARD BISHOP was a prolific painter who played a prominent role in the bohemian British art world of the postwar years. He was chair-man of the Chelsea Arts Club, president of the London Sketch Club, and the first keeper of the New English Art Club. During the war he had worked at the Ministry of Information designing propaganda material. Over the past five and a half decades more than 80 of his paintings have been exhibited at Royal Academy Summer Exhibitions.

Edward Bishop was the son of a carpenter and the youn-gest of eight children. His mother was a dressmaker. He left elementary school at 14. in the middle of First World War, to work with Stoll Theatres in the West End. There his outlook was transformed by hearing classical music for the first time and seeing the Diaghilev ballets, featuring Nijinsky.

As a result of this artistic awakening, he approached the Central School of Arts and Crafts and asked to be taught to draw. A year later he won a scholarship to the life class. and he was soon designing posters for Stoll Theatres. Meanwhile, at the Central, he was training under Bernard Meninsky, F. W. Jackson and

EDWARD BISHOP



In 1929 Bishop entered and won one of the first open competitions for an advertising campaign, for Unilever, and was asked to join the advertising agency Lintas, which had the Unilever account. He remained there until 1936, when he moved to the S.H.Benson agency, where he worked on campaigns for clients such as Kodak and Austin cars.

It was during these years

that he became a keen photographer, winning a number of important competitions and rarely being seen without his favourite Leica camera. He also became a proficient

Having suffered from rheumatic fever as a child, he was unfit for active service in the war, but in 1941 he joined the Ministry of Information. where he was involved in designing propaganda.

During one night of the Blitz he lost his mother, his sister and one of his brothers. His flat in Fetter Lane was also destroyed, along with all of his completed paintings.

Bishop had shown his first picture at the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition in 1941. But it was during the 1950s a vibrant time for British art that he really became active as an artist. He was elected to the Royal Society of British Artists and made president of the London Sketch Club.

A series of his paintings

captured the atmosphere in

the famous Studio Club in

Swallow Street, Piccadilly. His

other canvases from this per-

iod included night scenes of

London, many paintings of the Thames, and works on the

theme of loneliness, whether

in the city or in a desolate

farmhouse - a subject to

which he frequently returned

In the late 1950s he designed

a number of covers for The

Listener, in 1958 he helped to

organise the art auction for the

in the course of his career.

Treason Defence Fund, which had been established to help the accused, including Nelson Mandela, in the South African treason trials. In 1960 he was made a member of the New English

Art Club; he was later appointed its first keeper, a post he held until 1990. He also served as chairman of the Chelsea Arts Club in 1965 and 1966, in which capacity he lobbied for the admission of women, and helped to arrange gala evenings in honour of distinguished women, including Dame Eva Turner, Joyce Grenfell and Elisabeth Frink.

He continued painting into his eighties, as well as encouraging other artists, and has a picture in the current Royal Academy Summer Exhibition. His wife, the Naïve painter Celeste Radioff, predeceased him. He is survived by one

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Virginia, 1977. Rudolf Nureyev defected to the West, 1961. Valentina Tereshkova of the Soviet Union became the first woman in

Nature notes

PIED wagtails are chasing flies for their young on garden lawns, often leaping into the air to catch one flying above their head. In some families, the young are al-ready out of the nest and begging on the lawn: they are noticeably browner than their smart black and white parents.

Spotted flycatchers have ests behind drainpipes or in Virginia creeper on the walls of houses the male and female share the task of incubation, and sit tight, peering over the edge of the nest, as people go in and out of the house.

Goldcrests are feeding their young in mossy nests that hang under the boughs of firs and cedars. Many more flowers have

opened in the past week.



The spotted flycatcher

Crosswort is out on roadsides: the leaves are arranged in groups of four all the way up the stem, and the tiny yellow flowers grow among them. The lipped violet flowers of self-heal are growing low in the grass. Wild thyme exhales a sweet smell over the heaths; while thrift, or seapink, is abundant on the difftops.

DEATH OF LORD KITCHENER

The Hampshire was proceeding along the west coast of the Orkneys; a heavy gale was blowing, with the seas breaking over the ship, which necessitated her being partially battened down. Between 7.30 and 7.45pm the vessel struck a mine and began at once to settle by the bows, heeling over to starboard before she finally went down 15 minutes after.

Efforts were made without success to lower some of the boats, one of them being broken in half during the process and her occupants thrown into the water. The Captain called out for Lord Kitchener to come up to the fore bridge near where the Captain's boat was hoisted; he was also heard calling for Lord Kitchener to get into the boat, but no-one is able to say whether Lord Kitchener got into the boat or not, nor did anyone see any of the boats get clear of the ship. Though the rafts with these large numbers of men got safely away, in one case out of over 70 men on board, six

ON THIS DAY

June 16, 1916

The cruiser HMS Hampshire, conveying Lord Kitchener, the Secretary of State for War, was off Orkney when she struck a mine and quickly sank. This is taken from a report of the inquiry.

only survived; the survivors all report that men gradually dropped off and even died on board the rafts from exhaustion, exposure, and cold. Some of the crew must have perished trying to land on the rocky coast.

Leading Seaman Charles Walter Rogerson, one of the 12 survivors, says: I was the last of the survivors to see Lord Kitchener before leaving the ship. Lord Kitchener went down with the ship. He did not leave her. The Captain

was calling to Lord Kitchener to go to the

could not hear him. When the explosion occurred Lord Kitchener walked calmly from the captain's cabin, went up the ladder and on to the quarter-deck. He did not seem in the least perturbed, but calmly waited the preparations for abandoning the ship. Owing to the rough weather no boats could be lowered; those that were got out were smashed up at once. The ship sank by the head, and when she did she turned a complete somersault forward, carrying down with her all the boats and those in them. When I sprang onto a raft he was still on the starboard side of the quarterdeck talking to his officers. I won't say he did not feel the strain of the perilous situation like the rest of us, but he gave no outward sign of nervousness. I got away on one of the rafts and we had a terrible five hours in the water. It was so rough that the sea beat down on us and many men were killed by the buffeting they received. Many others died from the

boat, but owing to the noise of the wind and the sea Lord Kitchener apparently

THE TIMES TODAY

NEWS

Blair tries to defuse summit row

The Prime Minister intervened to act as a peace broker in the jobs dispute between France and Germany last night as the issue threatened to disrupt the Amsterdam summit on the future of Europe.

As EU finance ministers met to draw up a new jobs package, Tony Blair went straight into talks with Wim Kok, the Dutch Prime Minister who is the summit host, and Lionel Jospin, the new Socialist French Prime Minister ...

Naomi Campbell in drug scare

Naomi Campbell, the British supermodel, was taken into intensive care in a Canary Islands hospital after taking what medical staff described as an overdose of sedatives. She was expected to leave hospital later. Her lawyer said she had

Prince's windfall

The Prince of Wales is poised to secure millions of pounds from the Government's proposed windfall tax to fund a scheme that will give work to 25.000 unemployed young people. But he was criticised by teachers... Pages 1. 6

Beach huts burned

After recovering from the great fish and chip scandal, the residents of Frinton-on-Sea have been hit by a vandal burning down beach huts......Page 3

Saudi deadline

The trial of two British nurses accused of murdering an Australian colleague in Saudi Arabia took another twist. Judges gave the victim's brother a week to prove he had the right to demand the death penalty Page 3

Millennium crisis

The City of London is about to withdraw its promise of £12 million to the troubled Millennium Exhibition at Greenwich as the Cabinet decides whether to pull the plug on the show Page 5

Lure for fish

Fishermen are reporting early sightings of basking sharks. leatherback turties and other exotic fish as the seas around Brit-

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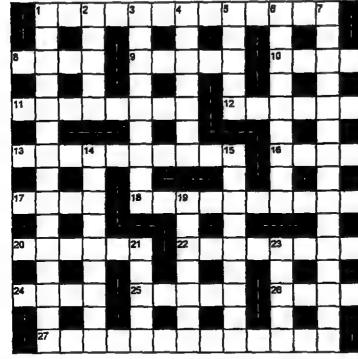
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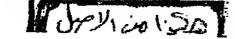
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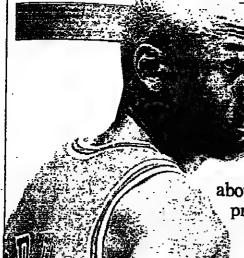
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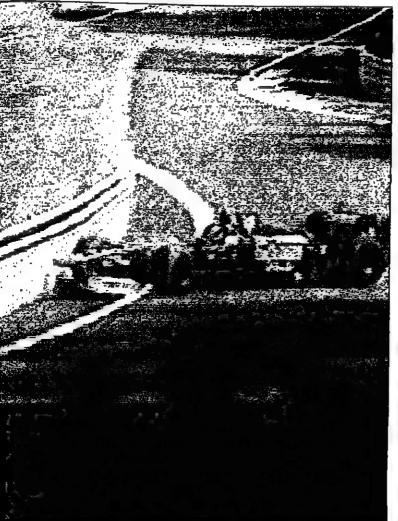
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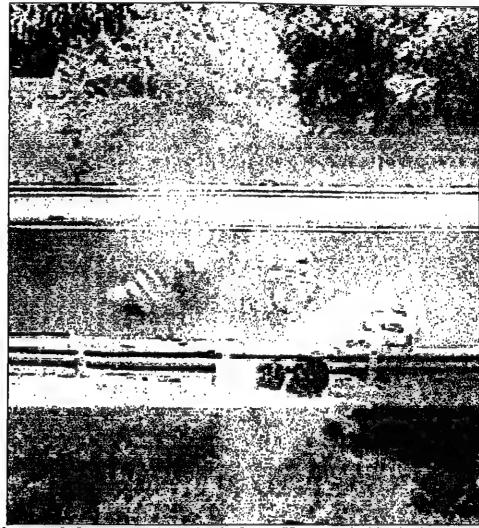


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Trail of destruction: Panis, travelling at 150mph, crashes into the wall, left, the impact sending his car spinning back on to the track, centre, before

Schumacher survives amid chaos

FROM MICHAEL CALVIN IN MONTREAL

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FORMULA One received a stark reminder of its inherent dangers yesterday, when a spectacular accident involving Olivier Panis cut short the Canadian Grand Prix here. Michael Schumacher's victory, the product of the fallibility of his principal rivals, was placed into appropriate

perspective. The sight of Panis being tended by doctors at the side of the track, after his Prost had slewed along a three-tier tyre wall at 150mph midway through lap No 52, ensured that Schumacher's seizure of the lead in the world drivers' championship from Jacques Villeneuve was of secondary

importance. Schumacher, like the nine other survivors of a race shaped by Villeneuve's momentary lack of concentration and the untimely misfortune of David Coulthard, was consumed by an immediate sense of concern for the stricken Frenchman, who was taken away in an ambulance after being hauled out of the wreck-

age of his car. He remained grim-faced throughout the rituals of the podium, absent-mindedly lift-ing the winner's trophy to the heavens with one hand and eschewing the traditional champagne shower. First reports, which suggested that Panis had broken his right leg, came as a visible relief to all

those on the podium, who suggested their achievements had been soured by circum-

Jean Alesi finished second, with Giancarlo Fisichella being less than a second behind when the race, which ran for 56 of its 69 anticipated laps, finished with the cars circulating behind the safety car. An inconsolable Coulthard was seventh, having seen clutch failure in the

pits rob him of a 31-second lap lead, and almost certain Villeneuve was similarly

distraught. The crushing anticlimax created by his brief

Float held up, page 33 Alboreto triumphs, page 38 Menu in charge, page 38

appearance testified to the strength of North America's obsession with sporting dynasties. Families, particularly father-and-son combinations, are celebrated for their consistency of purpose and their perceived championing of traditional values. American Football lionises the Schulas, baseball reveres the Ripkens and motorsport has the

Andrettis and the Villeneuves. Jacques has been an omniprescent figure in Montreal, where the perversity of the recognition he receives is startling. He can wander the busiest streets unmolested, yet his image is everywhere, with shop windows carrying everything from life-sized cardboard cut-outs to photographs of his formative years in

Formula Atlantic. name, framed by the St Law-

Canadian Grand Prix victory, one of six wins that preceded

His late father, Gilles, has long since passed into the mythology of motor racing. The circuit which bears his rence Seaway, staged his 1978

his death at Zolder in practice for the 1982 Belgian Grand

The mixture of hope and history represented by the Villenueve family was responsible for the first 100,000 capacity crowd in the 30 years since the Canadian Grand Prix was inaugurated.

Villenueve was outwardly impassive. He acknowledged his girlfriend and retreated a contemplative world that concealed emotions he could not contain.

He had never sought to hide the intensity of his motivation. He regarded the race yesterday, in which he was watched for the first time in Formula One by his mother, Joan, as the most important of his season. Once Michael Schumacher compounded the blow of stealing pole position by surging into the lead at the

first corner, he tried too hard.

clipped a curb, was a passen-ger as his Williams slid into the wall and instinctively pounded the steering wheel in frustration. When the magnitude of his

mistake became clear, he climbed out of the stricken car and beat out a tattoo of self-

too late into the final chicane

before the main straight, the fastest section of the track. He

He had completed only a solitary lap when he braked loathing with his fists on his helmet.

"I made a big mistake." he acknowledged. The track was very slippy but I just misjudged the corner and I didn't expect to go sideways. Obviously, its a huge disappoint-ment." That, equally obviously, was shared by the crowd. A groan went up from the main grandstand, where spectators had barely had time to digest the details of the

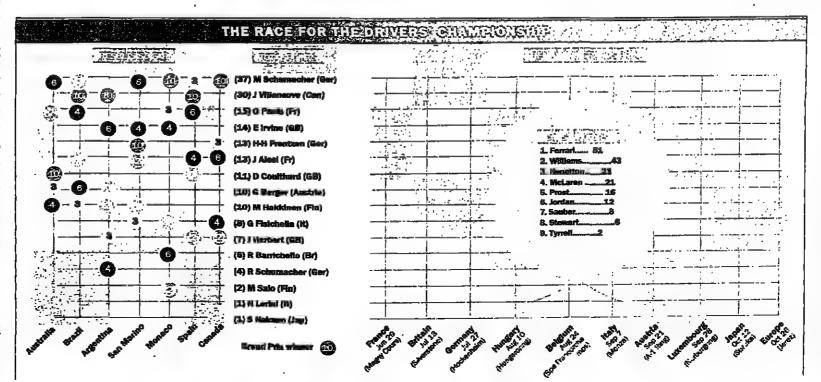
first-bend incident in which Eddie Irvine's Ferrari span into retirement after being struck by a back wing, detached from Mika Hakkinen's

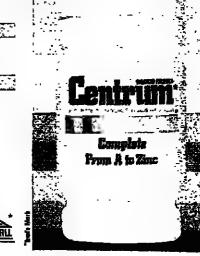
McLaren. Jan Magnussen's Stewart also failed to survive the scramble, which contrasted with the serenity of Schumacher's progress. That was hardly matched by his younger brother, Ralf, who quickly succumbed to all-too familiar impetuosity. He left his Jordan a smoking wreck at the start of lap 15, after a highspeed slide along the wall and into a tyre barrier at the first

That was an uncanny augury for Panis's accident. The Frenchman, hit on the head by tyres as he ploughed down the wall, was fully conscious after the crash, and motioned a recalcitrant marshal to help him out of the wreckage.

Coulthard was just emerging from the pits at the time. He had seized the lead from Schumacher, because he had planned one stop fewer, and looked set for his second victory of the season. That disappeared when his clutch failed, but the frustration was tempered by the bigger issue of safety. As he said: "I'm very disappointed, but my main concern is for Olivier. The most important thing is that

RESULT gace stopped after 56 laps.) 1 M. Schumacher (Ger. Ferran), 2, J. Alesr (Fr. Bernetton-Renault); 3, G. Feichnella, Jorden-Paugeott, 4, H-H. Frentzen (Ger. Williams-Pravallt); 5, J. Herben (Sauber) 6, S. Neikano (Japan Prost Mugen-Honda).





Rusedski ensures that BBC makes net gains

ne of the few pluses to stem from the BBC's slowly diminishing portfolio of sport is that the events that it still has receive the full red-carpet treatment. The corporation pretty much cleared its afternoon schedules for the Stella Artois tennis tournament from Queen's Club. Quite which schedules had been cleared, however,

was never quite clear. All week the action had swapped between BBCI and BBC2, as the tennis negotiated its way round various intmovable objects. Even the increasingly unflappable Sue Barker got confused. During a mid-week game shown on BBC2. she suddenly interrupted to remind us of the score and tell us that "our commentators are John Barrett and Bill Threlfall ... There was a confused pause - we knew that, "... on

BBCl in a few seconds' time." Ah, we didn't know that,

By Saturday, though, when the semi-finals provided the entirety of Grandstand's live sport and Geoff Boycott had given her someone to flirt with, Barker was composure itself. Not even the BBC could swap channels during a tiebreak of the high quality that eventually separated Goran Ivanisevic from Greg Rusedski, but Barker brought the properly extended coverage to a close almost as soon as that final ace hit the back-netting.

Within seconds, however, she was back on BBC2 interviewing the heavily perspiring winner. I am all for the immediacy of these court-side interviews but, as the sweat dripped off Ivanisevic's nose, it seemed increasingly apparent that perhaps a BBC towel



MATTHEW BOND TV ACTION REPLAY

In the commentary box for the brief and slightly underwhelming final yesterday were John Barrett, the BBC's chief tennis commentator, and Mark Cox, the expert summariser on form. On Saturday I thought he was outstanding as he and David Mercer commentated on the wonderful match between Jonas Bjorkman and Mark Philippousis.

what it was that

girl. Gamesmanship or was it really "a lovely moment". Close call. Selecting his replays well (or having them well-chosen for him) he first explained in

TENNIS: BALLGIRL EARNS APPLAUSE AT QUEEN'S AS PHILIPPOUSSIS SERVES WARNING TO RIVALS

Bjorkman was doing to allow him to return so well, and later showed what Philippousis had done about it. It was a fine contribution, marred just a little during the final yesterday when he surely seemed somewhat naive about what Ivanisevic was up to when he handed his racket to a ball-

By contrast, Barrett and Threlfall, his customary commentary partner, are in danger of growing stale, relying

on a sort of Maskell-like, oldschool familiarity to get them through. During Rusedski v Ivanisevic, Threlfall favoured humour and sweeping statements over technical analysis. Left-handers should be banned because they are too difficult to play against . . . Ivanisevic will never win a grandslam title because he enjoys life too much ... Rusedski considers himself very British. It's enjoyable, knockabout stuff, but it's not analysis.

There is no doubt, however. about to whom the BBC owes the biggest vote of thanks for enhancing its coverage - Rusedski. Time and again he got them out of trouble and if his semi-final caused Grandstand to overrun a little that was only fair. At least he had ensured that the programme had an audience and a pretty enthralled one at that.

On Friday he even got the BBC out of an embarrassing hole, when one of those irritating news bulletins interrupted his quarter-final against Pat Rafter. As we were forced to listen to the story about luminous mice for the tenth time that day, Rafter - a set up broke Rusedski's serve to lead 4-3 in the second. When we finally got back to Queen's, it seemed to be all over - but it wasn't. Rusedski saved the BBC's blushes by breaking straight back, taking the second set and thoughtfully dinching the third with a full five minutes to spare ...

before the next news bulletin. With the second Test match. Royal Ascot and tennis from Eastbourne all competing for airtime on Thursday and Fri-day, the BBC will need a miracle to get off so lightly

Graf gives strong hint on retirement STEFFI GRAF is worried that chronic injuries could damage

her long-term health and is considering retiring from tennis. Graf, who has accumulated 21 grand slam tournament titles during an unparalleled 15-year career, told the Welt am Sonntag newspaper that she was "completely open" on the possibility of retirement. "I am hopeful of the abilities of the physicians to enable me to continue playing, but I would have no problem ending my career," she said

Graf, who recently had an operation on her left knee and is expected to be sidelined for six weeks, was also reported to be unhappy about medical advice that she received before returning to competition in May, after a three-month lay-off because of the injury. She failed to reach the last four at the French Open and has slipped from No 1 to No 3 in the world.

Real lose Capello

FOOTBALL: Real Madrid's celebrations after winning the Spanish championship on Saturday have been tainted by confirmation that Fabio Capello, their coach, is to leave. Goals from Raul, Fernando Hierro and Predrag Mijatovic assured Real of their 27th title as they beat Atletico Madrid, their neighbours and the champions last season, 3-1 at the Santiago Bernabeu stadium, but, after seeing his team's convincing win, Capello confirmed that he is to rejoin AC Milan to replace Arrigo Sacchi, the former Italy coach. Capello won four stadium championships at Milan before moving to Madrid last summer. Jupp Heynkes, the German coach of Tenerife, is likely to take over from Capello.

Boardman pulls out

CYCLING: Udo Bolts, of Germany, riding for Tele-korn, won the 49th Criterium du. Dauphiné race yesterday after Abraham Olano, of Spain, the leader, suffered a spectacular fall during the seventh and final stage Chris Boardman, right pulled out of the event and is due to undergo tests on a Tour of Catalonia, which begins on Thursday.



Kafelnikov off the mark

TENNIS: Yevgeny Kafelníkov, of Russia, saved three match points against Petr Korda, from the Czech Republic, before winning his first title of the year at the Gerry Weber Open in Halle, Germany, yesterday. Kafelnikov, the No I seed and No 6 in the world, beat Korda 7-6, 6-7, 7-6 in the final, having fought his way back after being sidelined with a broken linger for three months.

Downing triumph

ROWING: Downing stayed Head of the River in the Cambridge University May Races. Jesus, who got to within fractions of an inch of them on Friday, closed to within one third of a length at the Railings, but were caught by Caius at the White House. Pembroke powered over in front of a sevenboat convoy in the women's division and were more than three lengths clear at the finish.

Little success

POWERBOATING: Even though Peter Little, of Oxford, finished as runner-up in the final race of a three-leg world two-litre offshore championship off Guernsey, he captured first race and having won the second. He followed Ulrik Ingvarsson, of Sweden, home on Saturday, finishing 24

De la Hoya's delight

BOXING: Oscar de la Hoya displayed impressive punching power in knocking out David Kamau, of Kenya, in the second round to retain his World Boxing Council welterweight title in San Antonio, Texas, on Saturday. De la Hoya, right. knocked down Kamau early in the second round and put him down again almost on the bell to improve his perfect record to 25-0.



Jones seals Classic

GOLF: T. R. Jones, of the United States, made a birdie at the final hole to win the De Vere Hotels Seniors Classic at Belton Woods, Grantham, yesterday, beating Tommy Horton, the tournament favourite, by a shot. Jones had a final round of 71 for a three-round total of 212, four under par, for his first European Seniors Tour victory. Horton's putt for an eagle on the last stopped on the edge of the hole.

Surrey find the target

RIFLE SHOOTING: Surrey were nudged into second place in the short-range event at the inter-counties rifle meeting at Bisley on Saturday, when Hampshire beat them into second place by a single point. However, they rallied yesterday to beat Kent into second place at long range, and take the Aggregate Challenge Trophy with an overall 2,900 out of 3,000, two points in front of Kent.

Ivanisevic bows to Australian power

GRASS-COURT tennis is increasingly about capatalising on limited opportunity, and in that respect Mark Philippoussis, of Australia, played the perfect match to suppress Goran Ivanisevic, of Croatia. in the final of the Stella Artois championships at Queen's Club. west London. yesterday.

Philippoussis, the No 4 seed, converted the only two break points he fashioned, one in each set, to collect his third title of the year 7-5, 6-3. Entertaining it was not, however. Both men possess the sort of thunderous services that make rallies an endangered facet of the game. A packed Centre Court willed the match to life - which it did, albeit unconventionally, when Ivanisevic summoned a ballgirl to face the Philippoussis serve - but this final will be remembered for some tralian, who never gave his

Nathalie Tauziat, the No 2 seed, from France, was due to play Yayuk Basuki, of Indonesia, who beat Irina Spirlea, of Romania, the No I seed, in the final of the rain-affected DFS Classic at Edgbaston last night.

opponent the whiff of a chance.

Everything about Philippoussis is big: his serve, his groundstrokes, his physique: even his name had too many letters for the scoreboard. So, too, is his ambition, which knows no bounds when his game functions properly. Ivanisevic best summed up the situation when he later observed: "I never had no break points, no nothing."

However, this is not always the way with Philippoussis. Against Jonas Bjorkman, of Sweden, in the semi-final on Saturday, he looked down and out for half the match when serving too predictably to a man prepared to trade from Inside the baseline. Perhaps the first three points yesterday - all aces from Philippoussis - were designed to exorcise the memory. As for his Wimbledon prospects, Ivanisevic said: "Nobody can play like that for seven matches, but Mark is capable of doing a lot of damage. He can be very

dangerous." When they came, the breaks were as sudden as they were unexpected. Neither player had gained more than one point against serve in the opening set until Ivanivesic wobbled at 5-6. After Philippoussis edged ahead at 30-40, an unforced error from his opponent handed the Australian an initiative he was never to surrender - that is, but for one intrusion from Ivanisevic and the ballgirl he summoned. It was a moment Amy Kavanagh will never

At 3-3 and with Philippoussis, serving with venom, 40-0 ahead, the Croat handed over his racket, instructing Kavanagh, 14, to play the next point. Philippoussis entered into the spirit and a rally ensued in which Philippoussis used his racket, head and feet into the net. At 16 strokes, it Evidently, Kavanagh, from Nonsuch High School, in Cheam, Surrey, took some persuading. "I was scared would miss the ball and the crowd would laugh." she

The episode had hidden dangers, however, as Ivani-sevic retrieved the defect to 40-30 before Philippoussis restored normal service with one of the 15 aces he served in the "I nearly lost my concentration," Philippoussis admitted. "I would have gone nuts if I'd ended up losing that game." in fact, it was Ivanesivec who faultered. immediately forfeiting the next game to 30. His opponent duly completed the formalities

in 53 minutes. This year. Philippoussis has been concentrating on putting an edge to his game. "I am a more mature player." he said. "In the past, I would get to a final and think I'd done enough. Now I feel there is no point getting to a final if you

This was his first grasscourt title and he has now won on every surface. "It doesn't take me long to get into the rhythm of a court," he ventured. Indeed, his opponents have that problem when Philippoussis plays like this.



British eyes turn to Rusedski

f Greg Rusedski hoped to capture the hearts of the British public, then he surely did so during the tie-break in the deciding set of his semi-final against Goran Ivanisevic, of Croatia, at the Stella Artois championships on Saturday. The Centre Court gallery at Queen's Club. in west London, was willing Rusedski home as he fought out a gripping conclusion to a contest of ebb and flow, although the effort, his and theirs, was ultimately in vain. Rusedski, born in Canada but a naturalised Briton. eventually succumbed 4-6, 6-4. 7-6. losing the tie-break 20-18 after trading match points from 7-7 with Ivanisevic, the world No 3. Although Rusedski generated six of his own. he could conjure no breaks with which to serve out the

match. He repelled seven. Rusedski was naturally disappointed to lose out in such a close call, especially since he has lost each of his five matches - and all seven tiebreaks played - against Ivanisevic to date, but his gains in this valuable preJulian Muscat welcomes the emergence of another challenger for Wimbledon

Wimbledon pointer have been impressive. Where the nation looked to Tim Henman, the British No I, to lift the spirit, it was Rusedski who obliged. Henman stumbled against Andrew Richardson, his compatriot, before falling at the hands of Jens Knippschild, of Germany, in his second match and he now heads for the Nottingham Open, which starts today, in an effort to bolster his confidence before Wimbledon. A significant Spanish exodus suggests that Henman will almost certainly be among the ló Wimbledon seeds, details

which are published today. Yet, while Heaman's confidence is lacking. Rusedski's is soaring. The latter opens his campaign at Nottingham against Gustavo Kuerten, the No 3 seed and recent winner of the French Open. Now ranked No 15 in the world, Kuerten will be particularly vulnerable; only yesterday, he

succumbed to Felix Mantilla, of Spain, in three sets on the

ciay of Bologna. Indeed, the contrasting for-tunes afflicting Rusedski and Henman in this tournament illustrate the fine line between success and failure. Henman cornered the headlines during a sequence culminating with his first ATP Tour victory, in Sydney in January, yet Rusedski was equally vibrant in February, dismissing Michael Chang and Andre Agassi, both in straight sets, before retiring from the final of the event in San Jose, California, after taking the

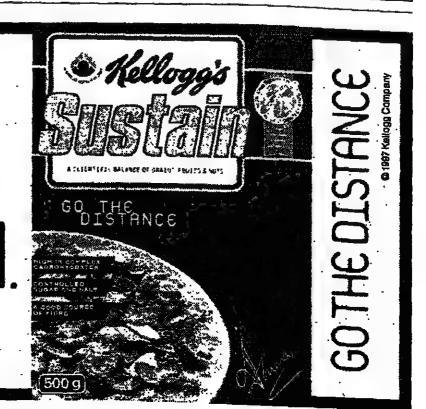
first set from Pete Sampras. Both British players then suffered injuries that were to sideline them for seven weeks. On their return, both failed on European clay before training their sights on Queen's. Rusedski might have joined Henman among the also-rans when looking decidedly second-best against Mark Woodbridge, of Australia, in the opening round, but rain interrupted the match, allowing him to regroup. In the second round, Rusedski also faced match-point against Kevin Ullyett, of South Africa Defeat in either contest would have reduced him to

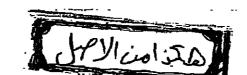
Henman's uncomfortable predicament Rusedski, 23, will now advance to somewhere near his career-best ranking of No 33 when the revised list is published today. Irrespective of his performance at Nottingham this week, he is the man whom every seed will be anxious to avoid in the Wimbledon draw, and he knows it. "I think I'll be dangerous at Wimbledon," he said. "I have been fighting extremely well and my returns are improving. Having lost that match, it

spurs you on to do better." Last year it was Henman who hypnotised the nation during the Wimbledon fortnight. Unless Henman raises his game at Nottingham, it may be Rusedski who fosters British interest beyond the first week down at SW19.



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Lehman maintains leading edge at US Open but battling Scotsman stays in contention

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Montgomerie in position for final advance

FROM JOHN HOPKINS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT, IN BETHESDA, MARYLAND

COLIN Montgomerie was almost perfectly positioned to strike for his first victory in a major championship when the fourth round of the 97th US Open got under way at the Congressional Country Club on the edge of Washington. After rain had caused a twohour interruption on Saturday and play was halted because of darkness, Montgomerie brought his much delayed third round to a rousing finish vesterday morning nearly 18 hours after teeing-off.

Montgomerie birdied the 18th for a 67 and a two-under par total of 208. His was the lowest score of the third round and he was one of only four men under par. Montgomerie was three strokes behind Tom Lehman, the Open champion, who was leading the US Open after 54 holes just as he had led the 1995 and 1996 events at the same stage. Jeff Maggert and Ernie Els were tied two strokes behind Lehman.

"I am in a good position," Montgomerie said as he prepared for the last round. "All the eyes are not on you all the Montgomerie was paired with Els, the 1994 US Open champion, which served as a reminder for the

The last time he and Els played together was in a play-off for the Million Dollar Challenge at Sun City, in South Africa, late last year. Montgomerie defeated Els that day, though he had been beaten by the South African in a play-off for the 1994 US Open at Oakmont Els seemed to have found some putting form. After he resumed his third round be sank good putts for birdies on the

15th, 16th and 17th holes to

move into contention.

As the Open moved towards its conclusion, one which was expected to be watched in person by President Clinton. one question had been answered. Tiger Woods would not win and take the second leg of the grand slam. After rounds of 74 and 67, Woods's third round and not even another large and vocal following could do anything to

spur him on. His 73, which included one

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double bogey, five bogeys, four birdies and only eight pars, put him on 214, four over par, level with José Maria Olazabal, Davis Love III and Hideke Kase, among others, and nine strokes behind Lehman. Even for someone of Woods's capabilities, nine strokes were too many to make up in one round over such a severe course as this

Tom Watson explained what was necessary for a player to do well at Congressional, and it was precisely what Woods was not doing. The number one thought is to keep the ball in the fairway,' Watson said. "It is like a game of chess. You have to have the ball in play so that one of your-



Els: in contention

Then you have to keep the ball above the hole."

This was too difficult for the 21-year-old Masters champion. "My golf comes in spurts," Woods said. "I'll play four or five or six good holes and then I'll lose it for a bit. I have never had the flow of my golf swing for all 18 holes or all my putting stroke. And when you're playing on a golf course that is this severe you're eventually going to pay the

Much the same could have been said of Nick Faldo. though his 69 on Saturday him to the steady play with which he has made his name. It was his putting that had improved the most. He took only 26 putts compared with

217: R Butcher 70, 73, 74; M O'Meera 73, 73, 71; P Stewart 71, 73, 73; S Stricker 68, 76, 75
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227; J. Ferenz 72, 75, 80; G. Towns 71, 73,

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Friday respectively. His total of 89 putts for 54 holes was ten more than Maggert, who had taken the fewest number of putts of all the remaining 84 competitors. Faldo and Woods were

paired in the fourth round, the first time they had played together since the first round of the Masters in April. That was when Woods had an outward half of 40, four over par, and then stormed home in 30, six under par, for a 70, while Faldo produced a 75.

The scoring was rather different yesterday. Woods dropped strokes at the 3rd. where he missed the green, the 4th, where he took three putts, and the 5th, where he found a bunker. Three successive bogies were in contrast to Faldo's start of birdie. par, par, par, par, the birdie arriving via a putt from off the

There were 21 men left on the course at 8.20 on Saturday night when darkness ended play for the day. By the time they returned yesterday morning greenkeeping staff had mown the fairways by hand and cut and rolled the greens. The rain clouds had passed and in the warmer atmosphere the greens had speeded up. They were four or five feet faster than the night before, Montgomerie estimated. Montgomerie returned to

the 17th tee less than 12 hours after he had picked up his ball on the l6th green. He had had a full warm-up under the eye of Denis Pugh, his coach, and took his three-wood from his bag as he began his attempt to finish his third round with two par figures. He hit his ball down the right side of the fairway, a couple of feet from the rough. In trying to reach the green, over 220 yards away, with a three-iron he mishit the ball slightly and it tailed off into a greenside

It was then that the speed of the greens was brought home to him. His escape from the but rolled on and on and on. For one moment Mongomerie thought it would end up in the water, but it stopped 15 feet away. Nevertheless, two putts followed.

That was not what Montgomerie wanted if he was to maintain a challenge. Behind him, Lehman had birdied the 14th and moved level with Maggert, the overnight leader. To his pleasure, Montgomerie holed a putt of 35 feet on the 18th for a birdie two and ma round of 67. He was back to two under par and the game was, as they say,



Montgomerie shows the frustration of missing his putt for par at the 17th after restarting his third round yesterday

FOOTBALL

Ince ready to join Liverpool for £3.5m

By DAVID MADDOCK

PAUL INCE is to join Liverpool. After weeks of indecision over his future. Ince, the England midfield player, has contacted officials at the club to indicate that he is ready to accept a four-year contract worth £5 million.

Ince, 29, who is presently playing for his Italian club, Internazionale, on tour in Thailand, will cost Liverpool a reduced fee of £3.5 million and his signing will be seen as a significant coup, given the interest of several other leading English clubs and offers made by Newcastle United Sampdoria and Atlético Madrid.

The chance to return to the North West, where Ince was happily settled with Manchester United, was a big factor in his decision to join Liverpool. He can return to his house in the suburbs of south Manchester, where he lived when he was a United player, but which is just a 40minute drive from Liverpool. Ince's wife, Claire, was

influencial in the move. She has just had a second baby and wanted to return home to be closer to her family. The deal is unlikely to be announced until next weekend.

Peter Johnson, the chair man of Everton, is confident that he will finally secure a management team after searching for two months for a successor to Joe Royle. Johnson still holds a faint hope that Bobby Robson, the Barcelona coach, will leave Spain to join Everton, but should that hope prove a false one, then he is ready to offer Andy Gray the chance to team up with Howard Kendall, the former Everton manager, as a partnership of enthusiasm and experience.

Gray, who is a football pundit on the Sky Sports television channels, is remembered fondly at Goodison Park after his exploits as a player under Kendall in the 1980s, and while he does not want to be seen as his former manager's assistant. Everton are hoping to tempt him by making Kendall their director of coaching and Gray a highly-paid first-team coach.

Kenny Dalglish, the Newcastle manager, will make after allowing Mark Lawrensen to leave the coaching staff. Tommy Burns, the former Celtic manager, joined Newcastle as a coach last

The Football League has unveiled changes to its Coca-Cola Cup competition for next season, including the scrapping of replays in the competition. From the third round through to the final, all ties will be decided on the night, using extra time and penalties if necessary. The semi-finals will, as now, be played over two legs.

Brighton have been given permission to groundshare with Gillingham next season, after the loss of their Goldstone Ground, if they can provide a £500,000 bond to the Football League by next Friday.

The League has told the club to return to Brighton within three years.

Extra effort too much for Johnson

TRISH JOHNSON, of Great Britain, came back from being six strokes behind with five holes to play to force a suddendeath play-off with Marie-Laure de Lorenzi, of France, in the women's Deese Swiss Open in Lausanne yesterday. De Lorenzi took the £13,500 winner's cheque, though, with a putt from 20 feet for a birdie the first extra hole.

A closing round of 70 left de 250, eight under par, with Karen Lunn, of Australia, two strokes further back in third The "It was very tough, but I played well all week." de Idenzi said. "My mind was way aggressive in the play-off.

De Lorenzi started the final round with a one-shot lead, moved four shots clear at the turn and then stretched her lead over Johnson to six shots with five holes to

Johnson had a mixed closing round of 69 in which she made eight birdies and five sogeys, but she fought back with four birdies in her last she holes, the last of which chine from 20 feet at the 18th. where she made up two strokes on de Lorenzi to force the play-off.

By PATRICIA DAVIES

HAMISH, the piper, was on hand on Saturday to salute Scottish success in the British women's amateur championship at Cruden Bay, a gem of a links course just south of Peterhead. It is well worth the detour and for Alison Rose, the new British champion, a Bank of Scotland official from Stirling, it was love at first

"I'd heard how good Cruden Bay was and it's all true," she said after defeating Mhairi McKay, a Scotland and Curtis Cup team-mate, 4 and 3 in the

It was the first all-Scottish final anywhere since 1981, the first in Scotland since 1937, and nobody could remember the last time that Scots had won the men's and women's British titles in the same year. Craig Watson had won the Amateur at Royal St George's the week before. In the semi-finals, on a

morning so bitter that even the locals had to admit that it was cold, Rose pulled away from Becky Morgan, of Wales, with birdies at the 15th and 16th, where she hit a wonderful three-iron tee shot to three feet, and McKay beat Maitena Alsuguren, of France.

McKay's impressive long hitting gives her a game a dimension that Rose does not possess, but the latter's quiet

self-belief — the result of winning four matches out of four in the Curtis Cup at

Killarney a year ago.

After that, I felt I was capable of beating anybody," Rose, who will be 29 on Wednesday, said. Twelve months ago, she would scarcely have admitted that to herself, let alone uttered it in

her aim in the final was to play par golf, at worst. In fact, she was one under, finishing the match by holing a three-foot putt for a half in birdie threes at the 15th.

Rose's steadiness, which is

amateur, approaches the around the greens that makes game in an unfussy, profesher a foursomes partner to die sional manner, which infor, also makes her extremely difficult to beat, and it was McKay, who made the miscludes a lot of hard work with John Chillas, her coach; and takes. In effect, McKay, 22, lost the match with three trick of errors on the front nine. She three-putted the 6th to go one down, duffed a chip at the 7th and, with Rose on in two, eventually conceded.



Rose, the British women's amateur champion, shows off the trophy at Cruden Bay

Rose blossoms to win all-Scottish final Rose, who will remain an allied to the sort of touch short par-four of 254 yards,

that proved pivotal. Rose drove into thick rough, hacked out and was still short of McKay's drive, which was a few yards from the elevated green. Rose pitched to a couple of feet and McKay committed the cardinal sin - she did not get her pitch up the hill. She hit the next to five feet, but missed the putt and Rose ended up winning a hole that she might so easily have lost.

McKay escaped with a half at the 10th by ramming home a 15-footer and Rose, having missed the green with a fiveiron into the breeze at the 138yard 11th, saved herself with a wonderful blind pitch to a few It was the sort of shot that

completely demoralises opponents and, when McKay drove into a sheer-sided bunker at the 14th, it was nearly all over. Rose's three-wood second shot to the green, hidden in its beachside hollow, was majes-

tic and she won the hole with a par four, to go four up. McKay drove the green at the 239-yard 15th, a short but tricky funnel of a par four, but the eagle two that she needed was not forthcoming and Rose, who missed the championship last year because of

the death of her grandmother, had a memorial to treasure.



CRICKET

Tufnell may enter calculations for Lord's line-up

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

ENGLAND'S strategy for the coming week at Lord's is dictated by the primary need to stop Australia playing the way they choose. To do this. they must bowl them out for accessible totals, a priority that may yet persuade them to include a fifth front-line bowler in their XI for the

The routine re-selection of the 13 who began the Ashes series at Edgbaston did not even involve a meeting of David Graveney's panel. The telephone sufficed. But this does not necessarily imply that the same team will take the field on Thursday.

The top six batsmen will certainly be unchanged, which mea is Mark Butcher will not suffer the one-cap fate of his father, Alan. Even in making two low scores at Edgbaston. Burcher played some pedigree strokes and his technique is unarguably more compact than that of the otherwise gifted Nick Knight.

If there is to be tinkering, it will be in the balance of the bowling attack. "In all our planning, we are conscious of the way Australia play." Graveney said yesterday. They like to build a hugescore and then use their wrist spinners. To disturb this pattern, we must continue to bowl them out for respectably low

Graveney was not suggesting that the team will be altered randomly, merely indicating circumstances in which it might be. After the style and emphasis with which England won in Birmingham, changes are unlikely. But, whereas the final decision there was between Mark Eatham and Adam Hollioake, at Lord's it. may be between Eatham and Philip Tufnell, or even Tufnell and Devon Malcolm.

The balance of three seam into the negativity of bowling bowlers and one spinner, with Ealham's medium-pace in reserve, worked so well at Edgbaston because eight Australian wickets were taken before lunch on the first day. allowing England to build such a lead that the match was theirs to manipulate and

It will not always be so simple. Conditions will not always favour the England attack and they will not al-ways make such good use of them. In time, Michael Atherton, as captain, will yearn for the scope and control he enjoyed in New Zealand from

ENGLAND XIII

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J P Crawkey (Lancashre)
R D B Croft (Glamorgan)
M A Estham (Kent)
D Gough (Yorkshre)
A J Holloake (Surrey)
N Hussain (Essen)
D E Melcolm (Derbyshre)
A J Stewart (Surrey)
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the presence of two accomplished slow bowlers.

Tuinell and Robert Croft complemented each other effectively during the victories at Wellington and Christchurch, if not in the way many would have anticipated. It was Croft, saddled for so long with the role of stock bowler for Glamorgan, who became the aggressor and likely wickettaker: Tufnell, whose reputation was made by match-winnings analyses in his early Tests, was now his parsimonious straight man. Graveney, himself a slow

left-armer of wisdom and lon-

gevity, is rightly concerned that Tufnell should not regress

over the wicket outside leg stump. If he does play on Thursday, he will be instructed that such a tactic is to be used only as a last resort.

Tufnell's inclusion depends partly on the weather - the more unsettled it is, the less likely he is to play - but largely on the appearance of the pitch. It is a relaid surface, used only twice, and the England management will need to be persuaded that it will respond to spin more than the other new pitches at

If they are convinced, then the easiest option is to trade Tufnell for Malcolm. The bold move is to play both and dispense with Ealham. This would necessitate Croft moving up to bat at No 7, but he has reacted well to extra batting responsibility before and the selectors are encouraged that he has been promoted into Glamorgan's top six. It will be a first Lord's Test

for Croft, evidence of how far and fast he has travelled since his debut at the Oval last August. Now, he is an integral part of the team, an embodiment of its spirit. He believes he can take a wicket with every ball, which is the quality England require from all their bowlers against Australia.

With this in mind, the youth policy is being advanced by the inclusion of Ashley Cowan in the squad for this week. He has no prospect of playing but, like Alex Tudor at Edgbaston. will benefit from being acquainted with the routines and personnel of the Test team. He will stay with the side until Friday, when Essex begin a game against Oxford University, but such is his form and potential, that it may not be long before he is back in



Maddy is left in inelegant limbo as Reiffel strikes an early blow for the Australians

Reiffel quick to underline est cross-Test credentials

By SIMON WILDE

ball that surprised him with LEICESTER (second day of its extra bounce. three: Leicestershire won toss):

Leicestershire, with six firstinnings wickets in hand, are 158 runs behind the Austra-THERE must be some polite

coughing going on in the homes of the Australia selectors at the moment. These men will say that they did, at least. pick out Paul Reiffel's name when asked to reinforce the team in England, but the fact remains that they omitted him from the original party two months ago.
It is a mistake that may

severely embarrass them, judging by the spectacular start that Reiffel, the Victoria seam bowler, has made since joining the tour. In the two hours of play that were possible at Grace Road yesterday, he took three for 12 from ten overs as Leicestershire tottered to 62 for four in reply to the touring team's 220 for eight declared.

Eight of the runs he conceded came from two boundaries in one over by Macmillan. who stood alone in attempting to break the fierce strangehold applied by Rieffel and McGrath on a green, seaming pitch. As in his two brief appearances at Trent Bridge last week, Reiffel barely wasted a ball and was responsible for the initial breakthrough.

His tour figures stand at a remarkable six for 27 from 20 overs and, barring injury, his place for the second Test match is assured. At Trent Bridge he claimed his first wicket with his twelfth ball: here it took him only three to produce a delicious off-cutter that trimmed the bails of

He did not strike again until eighth over, when Sutcliffe, who had spent an hour labouring over his three runs, sought to cut a ball crudely just outside off stump and was caught behind. In his next over. Whitaker gave a gentle catch to short leg off a

While everything Reiffel does seems to work like a charm. McGrath has trouble over-stepping the crease and perseveres without reward. He deserved a wicket, most especially in his fifth over when Macmillan misjudged a

hook and the ball looped

gently into - and out of - the

hands of Julian at backward square leg.
Macmillan stayed to irritate not only McGrath but also Warne, who found himself unceremoniously struck for two straight fours in succession in his second over. It was an undistinguished spell by



McGrath: persevering

Warne: his first ball was a blatant loosener that Habib dispatched through the covers and there were also a fair number of balls fired needlessly past leg stump. He had some measure of revenge when Macmillan miscued an off drive to Bevan at point, having scored a robust 34. with six fours.

Rain in the morning and at 3.10pm condensed the day to 30,3 overs, which took the time lost by the Australians since the first Test to two-and-a-half days out of a possible five. They repaired to the golf course for an evening round. just as the sun started to shine

Support grows for Johnston fund

WHILE England and Australia do battle at Lord's this week, one of the greatest friends of cricket and its most famous ground will be remembered in clubs and schools all over the country during "Johnners Week", an event designed to foster interest in the game and raise funds for its grass-roots.

The week, which starts on Saturday and is sponsored by HSA Healthcare, was launched last year in memory of the late Brian Johnston, the doyen of BBC radio's Test Match Special programme. Johnston would have been 85 next Tuesday. The week will see upwards of 700 clubs and schools marking the event in a variety of ways, many centring on cricket matches and many with family-orien-



tated themes. The idea is to raise local awareness of the clubs and generate money through various fund-raising activities and a raffle run by the organisers, the Brian Johnston Memorial Trust. Half the proceeds go directly to the clubs, half to the trust, which ploughs everything it receives back into the game. The entry shows an impres-

sive increase on last year. when there were 500 partici-

pants, "I'm delighted with the ment of youth cricket by has clearly increased and, as organisers, we are also starting to understand more about how things should be done. The raffle prizes are more relevant now to being sold to the widest possible audience. Obviously, we are hoping to continue to raise interest over

the next four or five years. "Above all, we want to encourage the young to take up the game. Almost all our awards on to clubs which have opened up, or are considering opening up, youth sections."

The trust has recently issued grants to five clubs and community associations across Britain - in Rotherham. Manchester, Barnsley, Peterborough and Cardiff - to help them promote the develop

response," Michael Elmitt, the supplying badly needed equipchief executive of the trust, ment. It also gave a grant to said, "Awareness of the week British Blind Sport to help it run a six-a-side cricket competition. Brian Johnston was a great supporter of blind cricket and his widow, Pauline, will attend the competition's final at Lord's in August.

HSA, a non-profit making organisation set up to provide healthcare for its members. will support the week for the second year by contacting potential participants through its mail-outs. Last week, it sent out posters to 6,000 clubs and schools.

Those interested in participating in the HSA Johnners Weeks should contact Michael Elmitt at the Brian Johnston Memorial Trust, PO Box 3897, Lord's Cricket Ground, St John's Wood Road, London NW8 8QG (tel: 0171 224 1005).

Elegant Smith is top of the class BY RANNEY SPENDER

won toss): Durham, with all second-innings wickets in hand are IDQ runs ahead of Cambridge University

IT IS easy for cricket followers to make comparisons with players from another generation. Usually, they are quickly forgotten, but, when someone like Derek Randall likens a 19year-old English batsman to Greg Chappell, that most elegant of Australians, it is

worth taking note. The player is Ed Smith, the Cambridge opener who yesterday scored an excellent 99 at Fenners as the University challenged the county to make

With his dismissal, Anurag Singh declared 100 runs be-

hind in the hope that Durham FENNER'S (second day of chase today and a chance to parison to Chappell. Glamorgan last week.

> Smith averaged above 50 for the University last season and began this game averaging a tad more than 85, second in the country. Yesterday he improved on that, playing some magnificent on drives which took him to 50 off 52 balls.

> He looked set for his second century of the season, after a fine 190 against Leicestershire. but his inexperience was exploited by David Boon, the Durham captain, who strangled his attempts to get the single to the extent that Smith holed out to Daley at wide mid-on. Smith faced 171 balls

> and hit 15 fours. There was irony in his departure as it was Smith's play through the on side that

had brought him many of. would give Cambridge a run his runs and Randall's com-

be more than hyperbole remains to be seen, but the evidence so far suggests that Smith has a bright future. whether it is for Cambridge next season or for Kent, to whom he is contracted.

"He is a quality player," Randall said. "He has a good temperament, good concentra-

tion, everything really."
High praise, indeed, al-Randali sensibly pointed to the slow Fenners pitches as a factor and also had a word of warning. "He's not very athletic, which is a drawback in the field," he said. "I expect Kent will want to work on that, especially for the one-day stuff."

Smith and John Ratiedge. his opening partner, were

Boon's overnight declaration. as the Durham attack of Bert and Wood produced what Geoff Arnold, their bowling coach, described as "the worst new-ball bowling I have seen in a long, long time".

The fifty came up in the eighth over and the pair went on to add 132 for the first wicket, the run-rate only slowing when James Boiling intervened with an accurate spell of off spin, which brought him figures of one for 27 from 24 overs, II of which were maidens. His wicket came when Ratledge, who had become painfully becalmed, padded up in front of his stumps, but Robert Jones helped to add 50 before Smith fell and Cambridge declared,

There was time for a further seven overs before rain finished play for the day.

West Indies openers end domination of bowlers

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

STUART WILLIAMS and Sherwin Campbell, the opening baismen, hit unbeaten half-centuries as West Indies raced towards victory on the third day of the first Test against Sri Lanka at St John's,

After the fall of 17 wickets on Saturday, a victory target of 187 for West Indies looked a tricky one on an unreliable pitch, but Williams and Campbell seized the initiative so completely that, by lunch, their unbeaten partnership was worth 129 from only 29

Williams was the more fluent and his undefeated 73 came from only 82 balls. It was spiced with 11 fours and two sixes. Campbell, who completed his second half-century of the match in the over before lunch, had then faced 95 balls and hit four fours.

Sri Lanka missed one opportunity to remove Campbell, when he was 31. In the same over that he pulled a ball from Sajeewa de Silva just out of the reach of mid-on, he edged to first slip where Roshan Mahanama could not hang on to a low chance.

Sri Lanka, resuming at 151 for eight in their second innings, with Hashan Tillekeratne unable to bat because of a broken hand, lasted for just two balls. The first was a no-ball, then Franklyn Rose had Muttiah Muralitharan caught in the gully after he had sparred at a short-pitched ball. Rose ended with three wickets for 43 off nine overs and Curtiv Ambrose had three for 41, also off nine overs, for

match figures of eight for 78. Williams and Campbell then made such a flying start that they took 24 off the first four overs and even the introduction of Muralitharan, who had caused problems in the first innings, could not stop the onslaught, Williams hitting him for 15 in his third

On Saturday Muralitharan took live wickets as West Indies were bowled out for 189 to trail by 34 runs on the first innings, but, with Ambrose again taking three cheap wickets at the top of the order, Sri Lanka were forced to struggle to set any sort of target.



Ambrose: eight in match

Ambrose, who had captured his 300th Test wicket on Friday, removed Sanath Jayasuriya, the top-scorer in the first innings, with his third ball and quickly added the wickets of Mahanama and the left-handed Russell Arnold to leave Sri Lanka 41 for three. Aravinda de Silva and Arjuna Ranatunga, the captain, Sri Lanka's most experienced players, saw off Ambrose and

for both in his eventful second Ranatunga flicked the ball sweetly off his legs, but managed to picked out one of only two fielders on the leg side, Rose hauling down the catch

added 44 for the fourth wicket

before Ian Bishop accounted

at fine leg.

De Silva responded by hooking the next ball to square leg for six, but he was out for 47 three balls later, his flatfooted drive at an outswinger providing Browne with his third catch.

Earlier, Muralitharan had cleaned up the lower order batsmen to finish with five for 34 off 23.4 overs. After resuming at 56 for one, West Indies were pegged back by the pace bowling of Pushpakumara and Sajeewa de Silva, the former striking a double blow by removing the left-handed Floyd Reifer before sending back Brian Lara without a run to his name, both caught

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Hampshire fail to counter Mushtaq

By Jack Bailey

BASINGSTOKE (Hampshire won toss): Somerset (4pts) beat Hampshire by six runs

DESPITE Kevan James's love affair with the Basingstoke pitch, which brought him three more wickets yesterday, Matthew Keech's 44 and stout innings from John Stephenson and Shaun Udal, Hampshire found the wiles of Mushtag Ahmed too much of a mystery. Once he appeared to weave his oriental spell, the Hampshire innings veered sharply off course. The target of 207 to win was beyond

them. It was not so much the wickets Mushtaq took as the pressure he put on the batsmen to score at the other end. Hampshire, although aided by a remarkable over from Andy Caddick - which lasted 12 halls, contained five wides. a no ball, a dropped catch and moved the score from 79 to 95 - were quickly behind the clock and stayed there, although Udal's last-ditch effort was worthy of an excellent

Somerset found little solace in the early exchanges and the loss of their first two wickets before a run was scored did nothing to encourage them. Although Turner avoided the early epidemic of chopping the ball on to the stumps and contributed largely to Somerset's 86 for six, there was

precious little early support. It looked as though the old alliance of the Basingstoke pitch — low and slow — and James - accurate and medium-paced - had done the trick. Then Graham Rose entered the fray, after a useful contribution from

Rose continued quite majestically as the tail, none more effectively than Jason Kerr, kept the other end going. He hit only four fours in his undefeated 37, but he certainly warmed the fingers of the Hampshire bowlers. The final total of 175 was reached just before Mushtaq was caught at cover.

By then. Hampshire knew that a tough task awaited them. Even Hayden was so restricted as to take 17 overs in scoring 24 runs, although it took an astonishing catch by little Mushtaq to get rid of him. A sliced drive went skittering towards the thirdman boundary. Mushtaq, his legs going like pistons, covered 25 yards before he took the ball at head

Mushtaq also bowled to the bafflement of everyone who faced him and he had completed his overs by the time Udal was into his stride. The last few overs saw the Hampshire off spinner come close to pulling off an unlikely win. but in the end he fell, bravely,

Glamorgan put unhappy memories behind them

By Rupert Cox

CARDIFF (Middlesex won toss): Glamorgan (4pts) beat Middlesex by six wickets

HAVING been chastened by

an innings defeat and a woeful 31 all out, their fourth-lowest championship score, on Saturday, Glamorgan responded in best possible manner, alleviating much of the bruising Welsh egos had suffered. Set a target of 185 by Middle-sex, Glamorgan gleaned a semblance of revenge with an emphatic six-wicket victory, with 27 balls to spare, at Sophia Gardens yesterday. It was their fourth Axa Life League victory and keeps them in touch with the leaders.

Both sides included two spinners on a bare wicket that enticed Mark Ramprakash to take first use of it. The visitors' innings, though, incorporated just five fours and a six, as Middlesex failed to capture sufficient momentum to hoist their score beyond 200. Only their captain, Ramprakash. with a stylish 47, and Jason Pooley, who contributed a fluent and valuable 35, managed to come to terms with the

slow and low surface. The South African, Jacques Kallis, survived a confident appeal first ball as he shuffled across his stumps to Steve Watkin, but was soon playing with flair through the leg side. Darren Thomas, though, induced an injudicious waft,

which produced a good low catch by Adrian Shaw, the Glamorgan wicketkeeper, who continues to keep Colin Metson, this year's beneficiary, out of the side. There are still minor rumblings in the valleys at

Metson's omission and it is easy to sympathise with this notion in view of the fact that this was his benefit match, against his former county. A solitary outing would not have markedly weakened the line-Requiring marginally over 4½ an over, Robert Croft

revelled in his position at the top of the order with a fluent 44 from 37 balls. Despite losing Hugh Morris early to Jamie Hewitt, Croft, timing the ball sweetly, struck Phil Tufnell three times over the ropes, straight down the



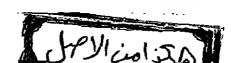
Ramprakash: stylish

ground, before Keith Dutch. the Middlesex off-spinner, trapped him leg-before as he swept. The early impetus, though, took the onus from the middle order, enabling them to play at a more sedate pace, even if they did suffer the odd wobble in reaching their target when Adrian Dale lofted to deep mid-wicket and Tony Cottey was leg-before to Paul Weekes.

Matthew Maynard, striking a characteristically belligerent unbeaten 71, and a sensible 29 not out from Stephen James steadied the partisan crowds' apprehension. Maynard struck the only fifty of the match from ol balls, adorned by four fours, before he cut loose to finish the match. He will be particularly pleased with his strategy, employing Croft as the opening batsman and batting James at No 6. Croft laid the foundation in the pinch-hitting role - Glamorgan were always ahead of the game - and James, so adept at collecting singles, assisted his captain over the final hurdle.

Maynard's own contribution will, in all probability. please him most. Playing a mature hand, foreign to his nature and often lacking in his hatting, he selected the wayward delivery with care and duly punished it. By contrast, Middlesex's policy was found wanting.

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Atherton's judgment vindicated by result

OLD TRAFFORD (Kent won toss): Lancashire (4pts) beat Kent by 17 runs

WHATEVER their failings in the four-day game. Lancashire are still the side to beat in the short-course variety. Kent were unable to do it in the Axa Life League yesterday, though they will take some solace if they can reverse the result in the championship game that finishes today. Lancashire, with stx wins in seven games, sit second in the Sunday table, behind Essex on run-rate.

In a contest reduced to 35 overs per side, Kent fell to 56 for four in the seventeenth over as they chased 173. The situation was similar to that in the 1995 Benson and Hedges Cup final when Aravinda de Silva led a dashing counterattack that almost turned the

This time, despite a fifth-wicket stand of 59 in 12 overs between Ward and Llong, there was never the same suggestion of a complete

Whether Wasim Akram would have played but for injuries to Gallian. Hegg and Watkinson is debatable. His impact on the game, though, was not to be doubted for in his fifth over he removed two of Kent's cleanest hitters.

Ealham dragged the ball onto his stumps attempting to force off the back foot, and an even worse fate befell Fleming. He, too, was bowled, but this time via his arm, which doubled the pain.

Batsmen found difficulty in discerning the pace of the pitch either quickly or easily though, as Michael Atherton demonstrated imperiously on a sepuichrai afternoon, a short period assessing the conditions was time well spent.

Of the Kent openers, Fulton went leg-before early on, which can happen, but Walker had laid sound foundations, with 16 in 14 overs, when his top-edged pull located Austin at long leg. Ward and Llong had to consolidate, but at a cost of lost impetus. The asking-rate soared and when

Llong swung outside off stump attempting to apply an appropriate remedy, he merely edged to Crawley, the locum for Hegg as wicketkeeper. Strang and McCague fell in the space of two overs and Kent's hopes were dashed, although Ward had the consolation of reaching his halfcentury in the penultimate In his first innings since the award of his OBE. Atherton batted with a growing com-mand as he underpinned the Lancashire total of 172 for three. Not until the 27th over

front foot and drove him straight with the sort of cool precision a Swiss watch-maker might have envied. An even crisper stroke followed as he stepped inside the line to drive McCague over extra cover and if there was an element of good fortune involved when he snicked the same bowler wide of Marsh's

did he complete his half-

century, from 74 balls, but in

the next over he pulled Flem-

ing through mid-wicket off the

dive, it was a rare violation of the coaching manual. He finished unbeaten on 90 from 102 balls, having hit a six and eight fours, and those who felt he might have accelerated earlier were made to look as red as the Lancastrian rose as his innings grew in impor-tance in the context of Kent's subsequent struggle.

Atherton put on 66 for the second wicket with Crawley, who was held at backward point at the third attempt by Llong, and 64 in nine overs with Lloyd.

It is easy to understand why the England selectors are tempted by Lloyd as far as one-day cricket is concerned, but the championship hundred he accumulated on Saturday was his fourth of the season in first-class cricket. Being made from 142 balls, it was also by far the most

Yesterday, unshackled from a situation requiring graft, he clubbed and clouted gleefully. especially against the leg spin of Strang, before being given out leg-before after hitting over a full toss from Ealham.

HOVE (Essex won toss): Essex (4pts)

ESSEX retained their leadership of the

Axa Life League with this thumping

win, which keeps Sussex chained to the

bottom. Essex needed only 30.2 overs

to reach their target of 217, which was

no sort of challenge on such a good

batting pitch, Stuart Law, their Austra-

lian, leading them towards it with an

innings of 123, his best score in the

competition. His previous best in the

Sunday league was 120, also against

inadequate performance in this

wretched summer. Their bowling was

Poor old Sussex. It was yet another

Sussex, at Chelmsford last season.

beat Sussex by eight wickets



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CRICKET: ENGLAND CAPTAIN WARMS UP FOR LORD'S WITH COMMANDING INNINGS AGAINST KENT

Atherton plays an off drive straight from the coaching manual during his unbeaten innings of 90 yesterday

Yorkshire run ragged by Thorpe

By Ivo Tennant

THE OVAL (Surrey won toss): Surrey (4pts) beat Yorkshire by five wickets

GRAHAM THORPE, whom

Surrey are resting from their concurrent championship match against Yorkshire, remains in imperious form. His unbeaten century, an innings resplendent with characteristic hooks, drives and delicate leg glances, brought about victory with nine balls to spare. He put on 103 off 93 balls with Ben Hollioake, who also knows something about how to bat in a limited fielders were a ragged lot by

For most of their innings,

winning.

dominant partner.

all a team can do is beat the opponents

Law tore into the bowling with a

purpose from the start, though he did

not lack opportunity. He went to his

fifty from 40 balls, and required only a

further 36 to reach a hundred that

included two sixes and a dozen

boundaries. Prichard's half-century.

which followed shortly afterwards, featured a pair of boundaries, so there

was no mistaking who was the

By the time he drove Kirtley to

Newell at mid-off, Law had made 123 out of 199, from 94 balls, with 14 fours

and three sixes. On the brink of victory.

when Essex were a single short, Kirtley

took a second wicket, that of Prichard.

that stand before it, and Essex keep on

batting in dreadful light. They were not helped by the tea interval being prolonged by 15 minutes to accommodate various worthy Nescafe awards and the presentation of both teams to the Duchess of Kent, who is the patron of Yorkshire. At least Roary the Lion respectfully kept quiet at this

point. Jorny Gould, the omnipresent compere, was pretty selfcontrolled, too. No doubt the two of them are concocting something frightful for Surrey's next Sunday League match here, the floodlit day/night affair, in the sure knowledge that Sir Alec Bedser is not expected to them, the umpires came out to

triumph.

"Simply the Best" - and Darren Gough chose, when he came in to bat, some rum tune by what sounded like a poor man's Bob Marley. More importantly, Gough

looked fit and no longer

troubled by sore shins. His initial five overs were quick and reasonably accurate and included the wicket of Brown, caught chipping to wide midon. Butcher made 34 off 63 balls, again not appearing to be in touch, Stewart was bowled by one from Silverwood he could hardly have seen, Adam Hollioake drove Stemp to short extra a significant contribution by his brother, who struck an

unbeaten 39 off 39 balls,

boundary at deep square leg and, as if

to remind the more vocal members of

the crowd, who had earlier shouted

Law, who had earlier taken a wicket

and held a catch, continues to give

'season, when his summer was inter-

rupted by a call to join the Australians

all cricket, six in the championship,

and another six in the three different

Sussex, put in to bat, got off to

decent start as Rajesh Rao and Bill

Athey made 96 for the first wicket in 21

overs. To get as few as 216, therefore,

was a poor effort. Ashley Cowan, who

reports to Lord's tomorrow to bowl in

the England nets, took wickets in three

forms of the one-day game.

Sri Lanka, he made 12 centuries in

including three fours, urrey were dependent on Thorpe. His runs came off 100 balls and included 10 fours, the last of which brought him his century and won the match. Yorkshire's batting against

an attack which lacked Lewis. who had a slight groin strain, was by no means exceptional. Lehmann made his fourth half century in seven innings in this competition and added 74 off 75 balls with Blakey. That was competent cricket, but Hartley, promoted to hit quick runs, managed 21 off 37 balls, 17 of his runs in singles. Gough's choice of music did not prevent him from receiv-Morris struck the last delivery, bowled by Adam

Law finds 123 as easy as ABC in defeat of Sussex

Hollioake, for six.

the sea end, robbing the innings of the momentum that the openers had

abuse at him when Essex were in the field, he raised his arms in mock Rao had struck four fours and a six in an innings of 60, which followed his 89 in the championship defeat, when he top-edged an intended pull to mid-Essex excellent all-round service. Last wicket. There were some fine blows from Keith Greenfield, who went to fifty in 44 balls, his third Sunday league half-century of the season, but it seemed unlikely that a score of 216 for six would stretch Essex, and so it

In their team's present plight, Sussex members have turned to gallows humour. "Come on, Sussex, we can still do it", one shouted when Essex needed only one more run for victory. The trouble is, at the moment, they cannot do anything.

so poor that Law's hundred, bracing as it was, had to be slightly devalued, but who was bowled off his pads for 68. But Irani picked up his first ball to the Law: quickfire century Gloucestershire sneak in

despite their evil ways

By DEREK HODGSON

BRISTOL (Worcestershire won toss): Gloucestershire (4pts) bt Worcestershire by one run

STEVEN RHODES, Worcestershire's acting captain. thought the pitch two-faced, one explanation for some inept batting in a contest that was redeemed only by the finish: Stuart Lampitt needing four runs off the last ball. If the bowlers are given half a chance in one-day cricket the whole concept tends to fall apart.

The Gloucestershire innings started with good intentions but after much heaving, slicing and carving, fell into evil ways and any retired cricket coach would have left shaking his head declaring: "Serves 'em right".

There is a technique, if not an art, to 40-over cricket which at its best reaches the batsman the art of concentrating upon and hitting every had ball Even in a limited selection of 240 balls there is a good ratio of deliveries it is unwise to gamble upon; Gloucestershire battled mostly with a blithe disregard for either principle.

Rob Cunliffe scored his second Sunday 50 of the summer and was the one player shrewd in his selection. Tony Wright was

proceeding smoothly enough until bowled; Shaun Young should have been caught and bowled first ball. Mark Alleyne and Jack Russell gave the midddle some substance, but both were bowled, and Tim Hancock departed second ball. By then Worcestershire were mopping up. Stuart Lampitt deserved the

best figures for his accuracy. but David Leatherdale pressed him close for economy his first five overs cost 12. Cunliffe hit six fours in his 73 balls and went out with some glory, the victim of a fine diving catch behind. Rhodes has been in splendid form on this ground.

Ten wides and four no balls made a valuable contribution to the home score, which looked mountainous after eight overs of the Worcestershire innings.

The Mike Smith-Jon Lewis partnership struck again. bowling Curtis, Solanki and Spiring, while Graeme Hick

was caught behind, to the biggest cheer of the day, after four overs in which he appeared to have settled.

Gavin Haynes played the best innings of the match -45 mostly clean strikes off 58 balls, five fours, and his partnership of 63 in 16 overs Worcestershire back into contention after Lewis (2-17) and Smith had bowled all but one of their allotted overs. Weston fell to a running

catch at cover, which left the final surge, 89 off 13, to the old sweats, Lampitt and Leatherdale, who narrowed the target to 47 off five where-Leatherdale struck Young for successive boundaries leaving 29 needed off 18 Leatherdale took another

four off Alleyne, leaving 12 needed off the last over from Young. He was then caught by Wright, at long on, after a worthy half century, off the fourth ball needing six off the last two.

Lampitt, running well with his captain, took the contest to the narrowest margin.

Rampant Smith piles on the agony for Derbyshire

tired from the fray when

Smith drilled him wide of

long on for six and, although

Knight was more orthodox,

he almost kept pace with his

partner in an opening stand

that had produced 93 in only

nine fours. Aldred, easily the

brake at his end, but Smith

kept up the onslaught at the

other, blasting Harris for

another six that almost

at the back of the Ragian

He hit one more six off

Clarke, taking him to 60 off 34

EDGBASTON (Derbyshire won toss): Warwickshire (4pts) bt Derbyshire by 108 runs

THEY play "Search for the hero inside yourself" at the start of each innings in Axa Life League matches at Edgbaston this season, but Derbyshire searched in vain yesterday. They just did not have the stomach for the fight after Warwickshire had battered them for 201 for six, in a match reduced by rain to 21 overs a side, and capitulated to a pitiful 93 all out."

Talk about kicking men when they are down. Derbyshire, already flattened by the resignation of their captain, Dean Jones, and the news that Dominic Cork, their England all-rounder, may not play for them again this summer. Were there for the taking. And Warwickshire put the boot in with a relish that was almost bloodthirsty.

They struck 122 of their runs in boundaries — nine sixes and 17 fours — as they hurtled along at almost ten runs an over, and then bowled so accurately that Derbyshire

balls, before he was well were hardly able to offer a meaningful blow in reply. Neil Smith led the assault. caught by DeFrietas, who sprinted in from long-on.

Derbyshire's bowling re-sources are so stretched that If Derbyshire thought that was going to give them some respite, they were very much Philip DeFreitas, their acting mistaken. Brown despatched captain, gave the new ball to Clarke's next two balls over Roberts, the left-arm spinner. mid-wicket for sixes and went He began tidily enough, but on to outpace even Smith. Smith collared him in his with 57 off 23 balls. He hit fourth over, clumping him for another six off DeFreitas and a four and two sixes. DeFreitas had already reseven fours.

It must have been embarrassing for Penney and Ostler to perish to Barnett, Derby shire's last resort, but Welch delivered the final blows, hitting his last two balls for six and four to take the total beyond 200. The rest simply compound-

ll overs by the time he was bowled by Aldred. Knight's 43 ed Derbyshire's humiliation. had come from 39 balls with Adams was bowled, trying to reverse sweep at Smith in his best of the Derbyshire second over, and the off bowlers, did at least apply the spinner then had Barnett caught at wide mid-on and DeFreitas held at extra cover. Small bowied Clarke in his reached the hospitality boxes

first over and trapped Owen leg-before in his next, and Giles picked up three wickets for 18 as Derbyshire rushed headlong towards defeat.

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Tetley's Challenge Series Leicestershire v Australians LEICESTER (second day of thee; Leicestership with sh linst-ship won loss). Leicestership, with sh linst-amings wickets in hand, are 158 runs behind the Australians

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G D McGrath to bat. FALL OF WICKETS, 1-10, 2-29, 3-83, 4-158, 5-167, 5-176, 7-182, 8-212. BOWLING: Mutally 14-1-55-0; Ormond 20-7-54-6; Wells 9-3-24-1; Pierson 10-3-34-1; Maddy 7-1-15-0; Mason 1-0-1-0;

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Axa Life League Glamorgan v Middlesex CARDET (Middlesex won loss). Glamorga (4ots) beet Middlesex by six wickets

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-54, 2-83, 3-97, 4-113, 5-133, 6-133, 7-151, 8-158, 9-162.
BOWLING: Chepman 8-0-24-0; Haynes 8-0-35-2; Lempit 8-0-49-4; Sheriyer 7-1-31-2; Lempit 8-0-19-2; 193, 1-0-8-6

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Umpires: B Dudieston and J F Steele Hampshire v Somerset ASINGSTOKE (Hempshire won toes) Imprest (4pts) best Hampshire by six run

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P D Bowler b James

K A Parsons b James

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R J Herden b Connor BOWLING: Renshew 8-0-45-3, Stepheneor. 8-0-43-2; James 8-3-16-3, Connor 8-1-35-2; Udel 8-0-26-0

Umpires, A Clarkson and A A Jones Lancashire v Kent OLD TRAFFORD (Kent won toss): List cashire (4pts) best Kent by 17 runs

N H Fastprother not out Extras (b 1, lb 1, w 2) Total (3 wilds, 35 overs) . Westin Aform, I D Austin, D J Shadlord, G Chapple, G Yates and P J Martin did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS 1-2, 2-88, 3-132. BOWLING: Headley 7-2-11-1; Thompson 7-0-22-0; McCague 6-0-46-0; Eathern 7-0-36-1, Fleming 8-0-35-1; Strang 2-0-20-0.

KENT Total (34 overs) 155
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-17, 2-53, 3-56, 4-56, 5-116, 8-23, 7-133, 8-145, 9-145.
BOWLING: Austin 5-0-22-2, Martin 7-0-27-1; Wastin Alaram 7-0-18-2; Chapple 7-1-22-3; Shadford 6-0-30-2; Yales 2-0-16-0

Umpires: J.W. Holder and G. Sherp. Surrey v Yorkshire

THE OVAL (Surrey wan loss): Surrey (4pts) bear Yorkshire by five wickets Total (9 wkts, 40 overs)

FALL OF WICKETS, 1-11 2-33, 3-107, 4-112 5-131, 6-158, 7-165, 8-187 9-190 BOWLING Bitchell 8-1-27-3, Benjamin 8-1-22-0; Sanjan Mushing 8-0-45-2 B C Hollicake 8-0-44-1; A J Hollicake 8-0-53-2

M A Butcher c Gough b Stemp
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G P Thorpe not out
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I. D. K. Salisbury, M. P. Bickmell, Santian Mushisiq and J. E. Benjamin did not bat FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-25, 3-83, 4-93, 5-86 BOMLING. Gough 7:3-0-40-1, Silverwood 8 0-42-1; White 8-0-42-0; Hartley 7-0-38-1 Stemp 8-0-33-2

Sussex v Essex HOVE (Esser won toss): Essex (4pts) b Sussex by eight wickets

RI K. Rao o Prichard b Cowen
C W J Athey c S G Law b Coxen
N R Taylor c Rollins b Cowen ...
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M Newell c Cowan b S G Law
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BOWLING: liot 8-0-38-1: Cowan 8-1-33-3 lian 8-0-40-0: Such 8-0-31-1, Grayson 8-0 52-0, 5 G Law 2-0-16-1

P J Prichard to Kirtley S G Law c K Newell b Kirtley N Hussam not out N Hussain not out R C Irani not out Extras (b 1 lb 1, w 4, nb 6) Total (2 wkts, 30.2 overs) J C Powell, M C Bolt, A P Grayson, D R Law, †R J Robrus, A P Cowan and P M Such did FALL OF WICKETS: 1-199, 2-216. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-199, 2-216. BOWLING K Newell 4-0-25-0; Kirlley 7-2-0-60-2. Knan 7-0-48-0 Duakes 6-0-49-0. Robinson 2-0-14-0; Greenfield 4-0-22-0 Umpres: H D Bird and G I Burgess

Warwickshire v Derbyshire EDGBASTON (Derbyshire won tossi: Warwickshire (4pts) best Derbyshire by 108

"N V Knight b Aldred "
N M K Smith c DeFredas b Clerine N M K Smith c DeFredas b Clerine D R Brown c Aldred b DeFredas ...
T L Permey c Herris b Bernett
A F Giles c Adders b Hante ...
D P Oster st Knikken b Barnett ...
U L Hemp not out ...
G Welch not out ...
Euros (b 1, fb 3, w 1) tK J Piper, M D Edmond and G C Small old FALL OF WICKETS: 1-93, 2-123, 3-169, 4-

42-1; Herns 4-0-43-1; Aldred Clarks 2-0-32-1, Bernett 2-0-20-2. DERBYSHIPE DETRATERORE

K J Barnett c Kreght b Smith

C J Aderos b Smith

V P Clarke b Smail

P A J DeFrettes c Hemp b Smith

K M Krikken b Glass

T A Turnett

Total (16.5 overs) 5 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-34, 3-36, 4-41, 5-44, 6-46, 7-54, 8-69, 9-69 BOWLING: Brown 3-0-17-0; Smith 4-0-20-3; Breal 4-0-23-2; Gless 4-0-18-2; Estroom 1.5-0-4-2

Umpres: R Palmer and N T Plevs

University match Cambridge University v Durham

FENNER'S (second day of these; Cambridge University won toss); Dutham, with all second-innings wickets in hand, are 105 runs ahead of Cambridge University

Total (2 wide dec) JA Daisy, 74 Pret, M Betts, J Bolling, D M Cot, J Wood and A Walker to bat. FALL OF WICKETS 1-8, 2-85 BOWLING 7 S. Jones 22-8-70-2, How 21-3-71-0; Janusch 16-0-48-0, Freeth 10-0-80-0; R O Jones 12-3-27-0; Hughes 6-19-0 Second Imags P D Colingwood not out
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Total (no wid) BOWLING: How 4-4-0-0; Janisch 3-0-7-0 Trabel (2 wide dec) C. S. Lughes, W. J. House, * Anureg Singh, † O. R. H. Chunton, P. S. Jones, A. N. Jansch, J. W. O. Freeth and E. J. How did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-132, 2-188.
BOWLING Betts: 14-52-0; Wood 10-1-68-0; Saggers 6-2-17-0; Bosing 24-11-27-1; Co. 6-1-17-1.

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-19, 2-19, 3-23, 4-133 5-171, 6-206, 7-210, 8-216, 9-223 BOWLING: Ambrose 13.1-3-37-5; Bishop 15 3-46-2; Walsh 11-0-46-0; Rose 10-2 30-0; Hooper 19-2-49-1

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FALL OF WICKETS, 1-40, 2-94, 3-97, 4-122, 5-168, 8-168, 7-172, 8-189, 9-189 BOWLING. S C de Silva 13-1-56-1; Pushpelormara 15-2-62-3; Dharmaseria 8-4-19-1; Muralitharen 23 4-13-34-5; Jeyasuriya

ras (0 4, fb 2, w 1, nb 9) Total (4 wks) FALL OF WICKETS, 1-180, 2-178, 3-182 BOMLING: S C de Silva 6-1-26-0; Pusipoliumara 7-1-30-0; Muralitharan 16-2-2-62-3; Dharmasena 6-2-18-1; Jayesuriya 4-0-18-0.

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Minnows drawn into limelight for wrong reasons

- ALAN LEE --

THERE may be many things wrong with county championship cricket, but, as a sporting soap opera, with a constantly shifting stage, it has no equal. Already, this week, we have seen the captain of the runners-up last year pack his bags Australia. Then, on Saturday, the team fancied by many for the title were bowled out for 31.

What next? By yesterday, it was a moot point whether the greater angst was evident in Wales or the East Midlands. Glamorgan's belief that the championship can be won for the first time in 28 years has suffered a humiliating setback, but Der-byshire, suddenly rudderless and with the finger of blame being pointed indiscriminate ly, can think no further ahead

The plight of Glamorgan is transient, the crime on their conscience an aberration against Middlesex, who needed only 16 overs of seam bowling from Angus Fraser and Jamie Hewitt to dismiss them. The plight of Derbyshire is less instantly embarrassing, yet profoundly more

Glamorgan's batsmen will suffer a sleepless night or two over the freakish events at Cardiff. Derbyshire's senior players may be feeling uncomfortable for a while longer over the dramatic departure of Dean Jones — and its ramifications at committee level have not even begun.

If these clubs have one thing in common, it is their perceived ordinariness. The casuat watcher of county cricket expects the prizes to be routinely divided up among a selection of teams that will include Essex, Lancashire, Middlesex and Surrey, but decidedly not Derbyshire and

They are not merely unfashionable counties, they are counties for whom fashion never calls. On the very rare occasion when success is within their reach, they must grab it for fear of having a very long wait if it slips away. On the evidence of the past few days. Derbyshire have spilt their chance and Glamorgan are desperately fumbling with

Jones's walk-out has everything to do with the prima donna factor. He has been unable to tolerate them in a dressing-room that he has tried to toughen up, but, in making his excessive statement and resigning, he has behaved like one himself. Whether the senior players whom he cites so resentfully feel ashamed, or relieved, is not yet apparent.

Saturday evening.



Championship Commentary

Radio 5 Live's Six-O-Six phone-in programme, hosted by Geoffrey Boycott, attracted a number of calls on the affair from disgruntled Derbyshire

One put the blame on Chris Adams - patently absurd as he had grown close to Jones and will doubtless be still more determined to move on now that he has left. Another implied that the atmosphere had been caused by Kim Barnett, the former captain of long standing.

More than one named Dominic Cork as the catalyst, an opinion evidently shared by Boycott, who had used his regular slot on BBC television to call Cork "a show pony" and add: "He may have talent, but he does have an attitude problem. If you think I was bad, my God he's three times worse, and I think I could play better than him."

Probably, the full truth will never emerge. Perhaps only Jones himself knows it, but he has left behind an unholy mess, some divisive factions and a number of unanswered questions. Will Les Stillman, the coach whom he insisted on bringing with him from Victoria, stay on without him? Will Mike Horton, the chairman who restored the club's financial security, but insisted

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Last year's postions in brackets This lable includes points for maiches that finished on Saturday long as they went forward on the field, decide that he has had enough of a thankless responsibility?

And who will take on the captaincy with Jones gone but the malcontents still lurking, especially in circumstances that could hardly be thought attractive? Floundering in the championship and the Sunday league, Derbyshire's season rests precariously on success in the NatWest Trophy. It is all far removed from the high-flying optimism of only a year ago, when they sustained a title involvement to the final round of games.

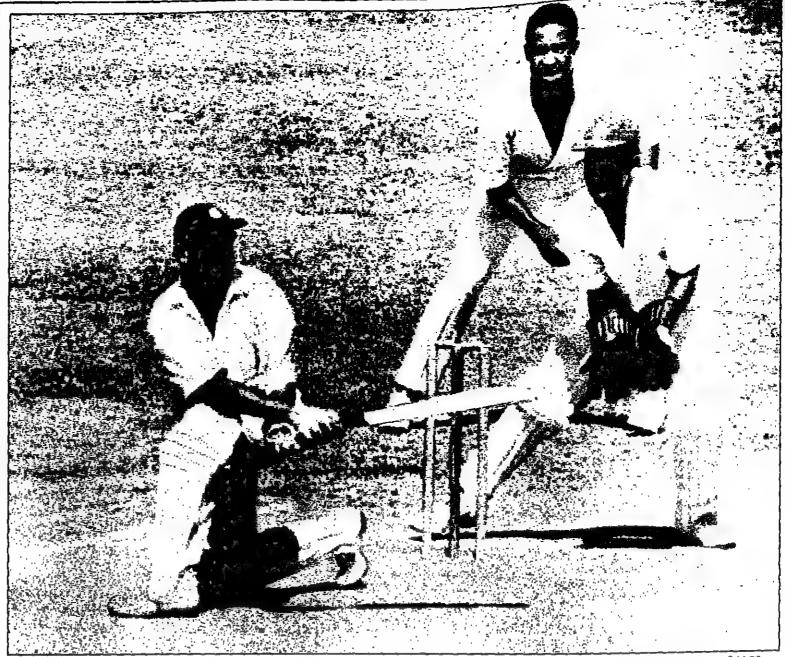
Glamorgan feel that they are capable of such a challenge this year and the look of their squad supports the claim. Their scorecard on Saturday, however, mocks it and, after a lengthy dressingroom inquisition. Matthew Maynard, the captain, emerged to say something appropriately bewildered. trouble with this game," he said. "is that you never know

what is going to happen next." Perhaps, in playing Middlesex at Cardiff, they should have guessed at something outlandish. Four years ago, after two comparably highscoring first innings, Glamorgan were swept away by the spin of Philip Tumell, who took career-best figures of

eight for 29. This time, it was Tufnell's batting - not his strongest suit - that frustrated Glamorgan as the tenth Middlesex wicket added 41, ten more than the entire home side were to make against Fraser, the old warhorse, and Hewitt, the young buck. At 21, standing 6ft 2in and with a good, high action, Hewitt has an interesting future in a team beginning

to play to potential. Middlesex are top of the table this morning, two points clear of Essex, and they will still be there tonight unless Gloucestershire or Kent manage to concoct victory. Neither are especially well placed, Gloucestershire requiring 372 beat Worcestershire and Kent having suffered interruptions at the hands of the

Manchester weather. On a day, however, when Derbyshire will be fighting for survival against Edgbaston and contemplating a most uncertain future, Glamorgan will be pondering the ironies of the fixture list. The indignity suffered on Saturday was not their worst in the championship - that came 73 years ago when they were dismissed by Lancashire for 22 at Aigburth in Liverpool. And where must they travel for their next match, on Wednesday? You've



Graveney sweeps majestically against West Indies during his heyday. A career that bloomed in his late thirties yielded a Test average of 44.38

Batting talent that blossomed late

hen Tom Graveney began his long and eminent career in first-class cricket, the game was not short of protund officials. A lunch interval during a match between Gloucestershire and Essex was lengthened because of a speech by a dignitary who apologised that mediocrity was the outstanding feature of both sides. He welcomed "the men from Exeter" and then said that their opponents did include two prom-

ising young players, "the

brothers Gravity. It took Graveney, who is 70 today, many years to be thought of universally as a batsman of gravity, weight, of seriousness. Sir Gubby Allen and Sir Leonard Hutton regarded him. initially, as a lightweight who failed repeatedly to make runs against Australia. He did not reach his peak until he had passed 35, considerably later than contemporaries of similar talent. Only then was this most elegant of cricketers seen as not only a consistent runmaker, but also one of world

class. Paradoxically, an easy going, uncomplicated individual courted controversy. To this day, he is upset at the Ivo Tennant joins in the celebrations to mark the seventieth birthday of one of England's most stylish stroke-makers

shire removed him from the captaincy in 1960. His Test career, which he resurrected brilliantly later that decade, ended in 1969 when he took part in a knockabout for his own benefit on a rest day. His subsequent role as player-coach of Queensland also nded in a row. This, though, was a bats-

man - "a poor man's Denis Compton", as he modestly describes himself - who, for many years. looked upon cricket as a game rather than a job, and one that entailed a fair amount of socialising. Only after Graveney joined Worcestershire and determined to show his old county what they were missing, did he bat with a marked consistency. His high backlift, topof the handle grip, ability to hook off the front foot and wonderful sense of timing made him, as Tony Lewis wrote, "an aesthetic sight not to be forgotten".

Having been neglected by England for three years, he returned at Lord's in 1966, making 96 on his 39th birthday. It was a terrific match, which West Indies drew mainly through the superlative batting of Garry Sobers. whom Graveney believes to be the greatest cricketer to have played the game. Both will be back there for the second Test against Australia this week. Graveney will be running a box for Willis Coroon, Peter May's old firm, and liaising with David, his nephew, now the

chairman of selectors.



Graveney celebrates reaching 70 not out today

and I look upon his children as our grandchildren." Graveney said. "I always talk about the game to David, but he doesn't need any help from me. I remember the nasty interview Terry Wogan had with him and Mike Gatting when they came back from their unofficial tour of South Africa and how

"I was at Edgbaston for the

well he handled it.

The two have always had a good relationship. "My wife

first three days of the first Test and it was so apparent that England were enjoying playing for David, Mike and Graham Gooch. We are all very conscious of making county cricket more competitive and reducing staffs — it is not fair on young men that they should have to leave the same after a short while and then find another job. But I don't think the championship was any more competitive in the 1960s."

Graveney, who was once asked by May to become a selector but could not afford to give up commentating for the BBC, is glad that he played when he did. He does not care for coloured clothing and preferred an era when opponents socialised

with one another and forged lasting friendships.

He enjoyed impromptu parties, rum and coke in Barbados and assimilating knowledge from players whom he liked and admired. Only eight men have scored more than his 47.793 runs. His average from 79 Tests. 44.38, is only fractionally inferior to his 44.91 in all first-class cricket. He feels that all he lacked, compared with players of today, was their remuneration.

Graveney remained fit enough to put on his whites for the last time at 65 (c David Frost b Robert Powell I in a charity match), and he plays golf off a handicap of eight. He is president of Worcestershire, a vice-president of Gloucestershire and sells artificial pitches from an office in Cheltenham.

His commitments still al low him time for his family Tim. his son, plays for Maidenhead and Bray, and Rebecca, his daughter, is a competent golfer - that he was unable to find in his touring days. They and Jack-le, his wife of 45 years, Basil D'Oliveira, Godfrey Evans and Arthur Milton will be among the gathering who, in a restaurant in Cheltenham tonight, will be toasting this most stylish of batsmen.

Reeve: breaks the game down

Reeve prefers back seat in backroom role at Somerset

IT IS hard to think of Dermot Reeve as unobtrusive. After all. there can never have been a more hyperactive, not to say irritating, cricketer, whose penchant for getting up the noses of the opposition played no small part in his success as Warwickshire captain.

imagine what he could have been like as a coach, doing his calisthenics on the pavilion balcony, gesticulating to the captain to make a change in the field, giving his bowlers earache with advice about which variation they should try next, adjusting an imaginary box every time that his batsmen faced a ball.

In fact, he has been nothing like that since he arrived at Somerset,

some of the success that he gave Warwickshire - he won six trophies there in three seasons - but also with maintaining his own high profile through PR and marketing work for the club.

This explains why he is sometimes more conspicuous by his absence than his presence. On Sundays, for instance, he will often be found doing television commentary miles away from where his side is playing: when Somerset demolished Lancashire inside five sessions last week, to record their first championship victory, he was nowhere to be seen.

Such absences, he believes, are doubly beneficial. First, it gives him the chance to spy on future opposition, and he has always been

charged not just with giving them noted for his ability to assess their strengths and weaknesses and react accordingly; secondly, it allows the captain space of his own and he always appreciated that,

> Reeve made his greatest impact before the season even started. He had his own ideas about fitness introducing financial inducements for players to report back early and good shape - diet and the ychological side of the game.

> "I felt it was my job to make the Somerset players the best prepared on the county circuit," he said, "and a lot of that was to do with mental preparation, trying to give them the right environment and atmosphere to make them perform to their potential.

"I don't believe in motivation

through intimidation, which has happened to players in the past. You don't get the best out of them that way. I believe in encouraging them and making them want to turn up and play cricket. It is a profession, but I don't think they should look on it as just a job."

Is he as innovative as a coach as he was as a captain? "All I will say is that I enjoyed the pre-season more than any I experienced as a player." he said. "but, once the season gets under way, the coach plays a less significant part than the captain.

"This is Peter Bowler's time rather than Dermot Reeve's time. There is no point in me trying to captain the team from the bal-

Over to Bowler, then, a man as

opinionated as Reeve. "From what I heard." he said, "Dermot was always trying to do things differently as a captain and he has definitely been that way as a coach. He has certainly opened our eyes.

"For example, anybody can tell a young player to go and concentrate on his game, but the first thing the player will ask is: 'Concentrate on what? Dermot is prepared to go that much further and, rather than talk in cliches, go away with the player and work closely with him.

"What he does is simple in many ways. He breaks the game down into all the different areas and gives every single one as much attention as any other. If he can improve you as a player by just I per cent, then he's on the right track.

"As for the captaincy, he has

stepped away a little bit more as the season has gone on and it has become my show to run in many respects. From that point of view, he's very unobtrusive, but, when I've got a bloke who has been a very successful captain for four years. would be very stupid not to be picking his brains the whole time and using everything he can give me. I feel very lucky to have him there."

Meanwhile. Reeve, his playing days over at the age of 34 because of an arthritic hip, is still trying to come to terms with the fact that, as a born competitor, he can no longer get out there and compete. He has find an outlet, so, wherever possible, he gets on an exercise bike to work off his excess energy while watching his team play.

SATURDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Glamorgan v Middlesex CARDIFF (thud day of tour) Middlesen (23(0s) beat Glemorgan (ii) by an mings

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BOWLING Fraser 8-2-17-4, Howitt 8-4-MIDDLESEX: First Innings P N Westes & Thomas b Waston
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M R Rampolvash & Shaw b Westen
M R Gatting & Shaw b Thomas
J C Pooley Itow b Croft
A R C Freson & Shaw b Waston R Brown Ibw b Thomas P Dutch c Shaw b Thomas . L Johnson c Maynard b Wagar gras (lb 1, or 4, nb 4)

Total (105.2 overs)

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Worcestershire BRISTOL (third day of lour). Glouceste stire, with nine second-trainings inchets in hand, require 363 runs to beat Warnestershire

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Extras (6 1, fb, 12, w 2, rb 2) ... Total (4 witts dec) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-45, 2-272, 3-318, 4-316 BOWLING Smith 13-4-34-1, Lewis 22-10-49-0, Young 24-8-65-2, Allevine 21-6-55-0, Ball 28-3-111-1 Hancock 9-2-23-0

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BONUNAS: Sheriyar S-2-5-0; Chapman 2-0-4-1 Umbres: B Dudieston and J F Steela

Hampshire v Somerset BASINGSTOKE (that day of four). Hamp-share (21 pts) bear Somerset (4) by nine runs HAMPSHERE: First Innings 204 Second Immgs 189 (M.L. Hayden 63, G.D. Rose 5 for 53)

SOMERSET: First Immigs 159 (P.C.). Holloway 73 not out; K.D. James 5 tor 44)

Extras (b 12, b 19, nb 4) Total FALL OF WICKETS 1-18, 2-59, 3-63, 4-175, 5-188, 6-195, 7-195, 8-207, 9-219 BCMLING: Renehaw 9-0-34-0 Bowli 11-2-40-1: Udal 12-4-27-1 James 22-1-9-49-8, Stephenson 16-6-42-0, Mascarenhas 3-2-

Umpres A.A. Jones and A.Clarkson. Lancashire v Kent OLD TRAFFORD (third day of four). Kent, with six second-immigs wickets in hand, are 169 runs whead of Lancashiro KENT: First Immings 373 (B.J. Phillips 100 not out, A.P. Wells 65) Second Innings D P Fullon low b Shadford . . . M J Walker c Haynes b Ricksway T R Ward c Crawley b Shadford A P Wells c Lloyd b Shadford .

M V Flemming not out M A Eachern not out Entires (Ib 4, rb, 4) Total (4 wkts) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-50, 2-50, 3-60, 4-71 BOWLING Chappile 5-1-9-0, Austin 6-1 22-0; Shodford 5-0-21-3; Ridgway 4-0-25-1

22-0: Shodord 5-0-2 i-s; magway 4-o LANCASHIRE: Farsi Invings S P Titchard st Marsh b Strang M A Amenon e Marsh b McCague J P Crawley c Marsh b Strang N H Farbrother c Walker b Prillips ... G D Loyd c Ward b Strang M Mal "M Walkinson to Strang . . . †J J Haynes c Walker to Strang D Austri b Strang G Chapple c Wells b Earnam D J Shadicod not out , P M Ridgway c Ward b Strang . Sotras (b 3. b 2, nb 8) Total (88 overs) 80MUNG McCegue 21.4-70-1; Tromp-son 10-2-33-0, Eathern 12-0-38-1; Strang 37-12-118-7, Phillips 8-4-21-1

Borrus coints: Lancachire 6 Kent 8 Umpires J W Holder and G Sharp Surrey v Yorkshire THE OVAL (thad day of four). Yorkshire with all second-mungs wickers in hand, require 397 runs to best Surrey. SURREY: First Innings 549 (A.J. Stowan 27) not out, A.J. Hollinake 69, B.C. Hollinake 53) Second Innings

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J D Ratichito b Sivernood
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M P Blicknool c While b Siverwood
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Total ... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-35, 3-49, 4-49, 5-94, 6-123, 7-129, 8-129, 9-129 BOWLING Hartley 8-0-36-2; Silvarence, 13-1-2-49-5; Stemp 17-3-44-3, White 8-2

YORKSHIRE: First finnings M D Moron c Lewis ti Sagloh R A Komotorough b Bicknell . "D Byas c Lewis b Saglain O S Lehmann b Salisbury B Parker c Buicher b Saglein C White c Brown b Saglain ... C Write C Stown to Saquari ...

R J Blakey not out

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P J Harfley b A J Hofficake

C E W Siverwood c Butcher

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Edras (6) 7, w 2, nb 30; ...

Total (110,6 overs)

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FALL OF WICKETS 1-37, 2-107, 3-195, 4-195, 5-286, 6-306, 7-350, 8-358, 9-368 BOWLING, Bicknet 20-7-67-1, Lewis 8-2-22-0; Saglein Mushtag 45-11-118-4; Benju-

Total (no wkt) ... BOMLING Lewis 3-3-0-0; Biolinel 3-0-8-0; Saplen Mushag 2-1-5-0; Salisbury 1-0-6-0 Bonus points: Summy & Yorkshire 7 Umpires R Julian and A G T Whitshead

Sussex v Essex

n 8-0-49-0; Salesbury 22-4-83-1; B C alloake 3-0-19-0; A J Holloake 4-5-1-

Second Immgs

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M A Robinson not out

Extract fo 6. lb 7. w 10. nb 18) Entras (to 6, lb 7, w 10, mb 18) . .

FALL OF WICKETS 1-116, 2-181, 3-182, 4-218, 5-218, 6-267, 7-276, 6-263, 9-346 BOWLING Comm. 29-11-78-4 Williams 22-2-77 1 Iran 19-3-7-50-2 Such 23-4 40-1, S.G. Law 12-1-42-0, Grayson 25-7-ESSEX: First Innungs 384 (R Ç Irani 110, R J Rollins 82) G A Gooch not out annum Extras (lb 2. w 6, nb 2) 10 Total (no wko .

Warwickshire v Derbyshire EDGBASTON (third day of four): Warunck-shine, with three first-unungs wackets in hand, are 121 runs ahead of Derbyshire DERBYSHIRE: First troings 200 (V P Clarke 99: N M K Smith 4 for 37, D R Brown 4 for 89:

Umpres: H D Bird and G (Burgess

WARWICKSHIPE: First knings "N V Kright c Krikken b Malcolm A J Moles c Krikken b DeFreitas D I, Hemp c Krikken b DeFreitas D P Ostler b Malcolm Total (7 wkts, 110.2 overs) A F Giles and M D Edmond to bat BOMLING: Maksakn 26.2.5-74-4: Harns 34-10-101-0, DeFreitas 31-6-88-2: Clarke 13-2-29-1, Blackweil 6-2-13-0

Umpres N T Plans and R Palmer

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THE PARKS (first day of three Outard University wan ioss). Nathrapharishire have scored 324 for four wickets against Outard University. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First innings P R Polland retired hunt
R F Robinson b Avens
M P Dowman e Hudson b Petel
A A Metcalle e Wagh b Byrne
G F Archer not out Extras (0 10, 10 4, w 4 mb 8) Total (4 wkts dec) RT Bates, JE Hindson, PJ Franks and "RA Pick did not bet

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-30, 3-218 BOWLING Avens 18-2-74-2; Patel 21-3-63-1 Battaibee 20-3-81-0; Wegn 24-6-58-0 Byrne 8-0-19-1, Futton 1-0-5-0 OXFORD UNIVERSITY: N G Print, B W Byrns "M A Wagh, C G R Lightbot, P G Morgan, J A G Fulton, R D Hudeon, C Patel, J M M Averts 1A P Scrint, C M Ballarbee Umpres K E Paimer and P Willoy

HYDERABAD: One-day international-Painstan 339-7 (Inzamam-ul-Harq 71, Satim Malk 64 Ramic Raja 50), India 68-0, March abandoned due to poor light and heavy rain Final of the thron-nation (cumament will be between India and Pakistan in Hydenabad today

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MONDAY JUVE

Jordan extends legend by leading Bulls to their fifth championship in seven years

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St Michael brings latest version of gospel to people

to show that the tiny cubicle belongs to the man whom many view as the greatest sportsman in the world. It is no different to any of the other 20 in the Chicago Bulls locker-room at the elegant United Center, situated starkly in the wasteland outside the city.

An hour before the sixth game of the National Basketball Association finals against Utah Jazz, a series that the Bulls lead 3-2, one victory away from a fifth championship in seven years, the locker-room is crammed with reporters. Players come and go, but all are allowed to pass. Even Dennis Rodman, the outlandish Bulls forward who has just been fined \$50,000 (£30,000) for making abusive remarks about the Mormon church, is allowed free passage. Everybody is waiting for Michael — and it is Michael, they want, not Jordan, or Mr Jordan, For reporters, television interviewers, advertisers and basketball enthusiasts alike, he is just Michael.

At last, 45 minutes before tip-off, he appears through the door next to his locker, still fully dressed in an elegant and no doubt immensely expensive pastel blue cotton suit. Finding the room still stuffed with the people who haunt his every minute, he spins on his heel and sets off whence he came.

'Michael," someone shouts hastily. "How do you feel?" He replies without turning his head. "Terrific." That one word shoots around the

stadium and far beyond, relayed by word of mouth, by television and radio. It even shows up in the newspapers the next day, long after the Bulls have won the game 90-86 and with it the championship. Michael's health matters. Two

days earlier, while suffering from a violent stomach upset, he had scored 38 points, including a decisive thrust for the final score, to defeat the Jazz in Salt Lake City, where the home team had won all ten of their previous play-off games. Even those used to seeing Michael's extraordinary feats had marvelled

After it, Jerry Sloan, the Jazz coach, shook his head wearily. "He's not going to let them lose," he said. The implication was clear. If an ailing Michael could do that in Utah, a terrific one in Chicago was going to be mistoppanie.

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Section 1

So it proved on Friday night. This time, he scored 39 points, and in the final seconds, with the score 86-86, he gave some measure of his stature as the greatest basketball player who ever lived. Even for the Bulls, a team full of dazzling talents such as Rodman and Scottie Pippen, there is only one tactic when it comes to the crunch: "Give it to Michael".



Keith Blackmore, in Chicago, sees a remarkable sportsman write

another chapter in NBA history

Twice, though, the Jazz had been beaten by Michael's last-second heroics, and they were prepared this time. As he bore down on them, John Stockton abandoned his marking duties and rushed to doubleteam him. Even Michael could not score with four arms in his face.

So, instead, with less than ten seconds left, he did something else. He made as if to shoot, then, with one of his characteristic and mesmerising flourishes, passed to Steve Kerr, a journeyman bench player who had played so poorly in the fourth game that his wife had told Michael that he had been unable to sleep since.

Stockton's dash to Michael had left Kerr all alone, in front of the hoop. For a fraction of a second, the the roar was hushed. Kerr shot, the ball swished through the net and the game, the series, the championship. was won. "I'm so happy for Steve," Michael said. "I'm glad he made that shot because, if he had missed it, he wouldn't have been able to sleep all summer.

Naturally, Michael, not Kerr, was voted the most valuable player (MVP) in the finals. The Bulls have appeared in five finals and won and Michael has been



Jordan in familiar pose with the NBA championship trophy

MVP in each. The NBA, the American television networks and the supporters know his true worth. Jordan is to basketball what

W. G. Grace is to cricket, what Babe Ruth is to baseball, what Jack Nicklaus is to golf. The NBA is 50 years old this year. It is a fledgeling in comparison with baseball and golf, but Jordan has made it a powerhouse in the sports market-When, in 1994, he announced his

bizarre decision to retire and take up baseball, the whole sport, not just the Bulls, suffered. In the film, Space Jam, Jordan's break is accounted for by his being abducted by Bugs Bunny to fight some inter-Galactic hasketball-playing aliens. It is by no means the least credible explanation of why he suddenly and briefly gave up the game that he

laughing matter for the sport. Even David Stern, the NBA commissioner, admitted that the finals were coming, though, when the NBA and Chicago will have to learn to live without him. He is 34 and his onear contract with the Bulls, paying him \$30 million, is up for renewal.

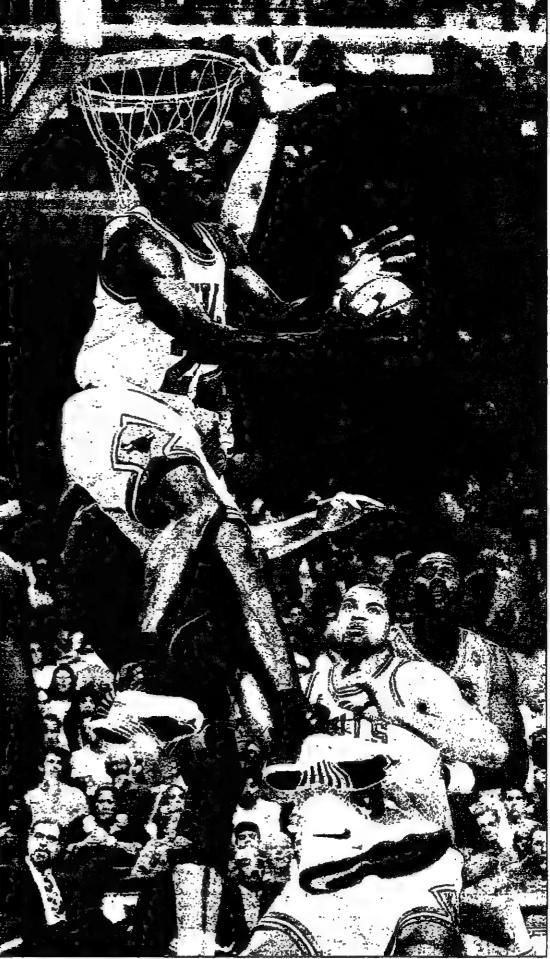
absence was no

Next year, he is thought to want \$36 million and the pay increase is The real threat to the great Bulls dynasty is one of personality. Jordan wants the Bulls to keep Phil Jackson, the coach who has led the team to all five championships, but Jackson appears to have fallen out with Jerry Krause, the man who built the team. Jackson earned \$2.75 million this season but his contract, too, is up. Already, he has declined an offer thought to be worth more than \$30 million to coach Orlando Magic for five years.

Jordan has threatened to retire gain, or, far worse, go somewhere else, if Jackson is not retained. "I think this team is entitled to an opportunity to continue to be successful," he said. "We are entitled to defend what we have and Philhave to make the decision about whether to play for a new coach."

Jerry Reinsdorf, the owner of the Bulls, must decide, but, if he lets Jordan escape, he will never be able to show his face in Chicago again. Jordan is everywhere here: on television, hillhoards, cereal boxes, His face, his name, his number, 23.

are inescapable. Nike has even built



a kind of shrine to him on the Magnificent Mile, the main shopping street. Groups of visitors tour Niketown, a glorified superstore, with the hushed reverence usually

reserved for museums. Jordan has given this city a new image. In the aftermath of victory, R.C. Longworth, writing in the Chicago Tribune, rejoiced that Michael had replaced Al Capone and the gangsters of the Prohibition era: "The city's symbol is no longer a syphilitic capo and his henchman but a stately athlete, unquestionably the best in his business."

Even if Reinsdorf keeps him, the Bulls and the NBA must sooner or

However difficult it is to bear, his retirement may not be an entirely bad thing. There is a danger that he has become simply too good. As Pat Riley, the coach of Miami Heat, said: "Nobody is going to close the gap on the Bulls until Michael retires.

ROWING

London on top form as Henley approaches

By MIKE ROSEWELL ROWING COKRESPONDENT

WITH the Henley Regatta entry closing this week, many senior crews at Reading Regatta on Saturday were racing to catch the Henley Stewards' eyes to avoid a Royal Regatta qualifying race or even to be considered as a Henley "selected" crew.

London RC's first eight, stroked by Stuart Simms and a Thames Cup entry at Henley, recorded the two fastest times, 3min 15sec, over the 1,200-metre course in beating Reading RC and Upper Thames in the semi-final and final, respectively, of the Elite eights. The verdict in the final was comfortable, although Upper Thames made an appeal for interference that was turned down by the umpire.

Radley and St Edward's. Oxford, presumably high on the list for "selected" status in the Henley Schools event with National Schools and Schools Head wins behind them, won the senior 1 and senior 2 eights, but other schools were on a par, or faster, on the day, notably Shrewsbury. They clocked 3min 16sec in a tough junior final against Hampton. and Abingdon, who were overlapping St Edward's at the line in the senior 2 final and subsequently put in an unsuccessful appeal against the St Edward's steering early in the race.

Potential Henley Regatta fours from Molesey reached the finals of the elite coxed and coxless classes. They won the coxed with something to spare, but the coxless, with Richard Stanhope, the Great Britain rower, on board, lost Worcester in a fast

Scullers from Leander had a good day, headed by Gavin Smith, who was still debating early on Saturday whether to enter the Diamonds at Henley. He had his mind made up when he won the elite singles, with ease and in a fast time, from Dave Smith, the formerjunior international, of Bristol

Groton School, from the United States, who are over for the Henley Women's Regatta next weekend, won the women's senior three and junior eights on Saturday, Andy Anderson, their coach, to move the crew up a class for the sprint regatta yesterday. Bristol University produced the fastest women's eight time of the day in beating Kingston Grammar in the senior 2 final. although the young Kingston crew had only 20 minutes respite after winning the se-

SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent

The Forbo Group has run an international tournament in The Hague for five years. This is a hand from the 1997 match between Holland and France. Game all Dealer South

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Contract: Four Hearts by South

Bompis, for France, found the deceptive diamond lead against the game. De Boer could see the dangers of bad splits, but protected himself against the wrong eventuality when he went up with the ace of diamonds and played the king of hearts. The 40 heart split doomed him to one down, since Szwarc won, cashed the queen of hearts and exited with a spade. Now, there was only one home for a spade loser, and declarer had to lose a further spade and heart

Counting his tricks should have led declarer to the right 40, he cannot lose more than

PSYKTER

a. A wine cooler

b. Mental disorder

c. High temperature thermometer

Lead: Times of diamo three tricks in the suit, so he should have won the ace of diamonds, unblocked the

clubs and then ruffed a spade in dummy. After that, he cashes the ace of clubs and leads a trump. ☐ The 43rd Generali European championships began yesterday in Montecatni, Italy. The Great Britain Open team began with a bye in the first round, scoring 18 out of a possible 25 VPs. The big upset was the defeat of France, the reigning Olympic champions,

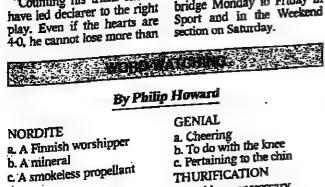
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a. Making unnecessary

b. Filling with incense

c. The Anglo-Saxon census

Answers on page 44



KEENE on CHESS

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CHESS CORRESPONDENT Player of the year Luke McShane, 13, has broken the

Michael Adams over the British Chest Federation player of the year award. McShane, the youngest British international master. win the award. In second place was grandmaster Matthew Sadler. The women's award was nar-rowly won by Susan Lalic, ahead of Harriet Hunt. Top voting fig-ures were as follows: McShane 272, Sadler 239, Adams 218, Ward

BY RAYMOND KEENE

Novgorod After three rounds at Novgorid, Kasparov and Kramnik share the lead having conceded just one draw each. Gelfand, having lost his first two games, opened his score with a win against Topalov. White Boris Gelfand Black: Veselin Topalov

Novgorod, June 1997 Queen's Indian Defence Bb/ 9-0 RdB 13 0-0 14 e3

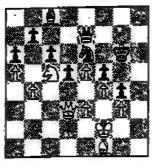
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Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the garne Kelecevic - Freiburghaus, Berne, 1995. Here, it looks as if the players may be in for a long struggle, with White attempting to exploit his positional advantages. However, any thoughts of a long struggle were eliminated by White's next move. What did he play?
Solution on page 44



TODAY CRICKET Tatley's Challenge Series 11.0, final day of three LEICESTER: Leicestershire v

Britishnic Assumince country championship 11.0, final day of four, 96 overs minimum BRISTOL: Glouisstannine v Wordesterunge OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Kent

University matches
11.30, final day of time
FENNER'S: Carribridge University v
Durham
11.30, second day of time
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First day of buo; New Brighton: Cheshire v
Comwal. Notherfield: Cumbra v
Lincotehire. Second day of two: Bedford Town: Bedfordshire v Staffordshire. High Wycombe: Buckinghamshire v Northumberland Swermen: Wales v Codordshire.
Westbury: Wittshire v Herefordshire.
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Park, Luten: Loughborough v Durham.

RUGBY LEAGUE Super League Vise. world club championship

ane v Wigan (10.30am) . dens v Cronulla (7.45) . . OTHER SPORT

RACING: Engition (2.15), Musselburgh (2.0); Pornetried (8.45); Windsor (6.30) SPEEDWAY: Etha Lasgue: Windsor (6.30) Perritor v Coveriny (7.30), Premier Leegue: Reading v Hull (7.30), Premier Leegue: Coulond v Metalon (7.30), TENNES: Notingham men's open totionament; Windledon qualitying (st Dealbrachus) TOMORROW

RUGBY UNION INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Zimbabwe Scoland (at Harare, 4.0). TOUR MATCH: Emerging Springbolis British Islas XV (at Wellington, 2.15).

OTHER SPORT RACING: Royal Accot (2.30), Trinsk (2.15). SPEEDWAY: Arminur Langue: St Austell v Long Enton and Wolverhampton (7.30) TEXNS: Nortingham rosn's open tou-nament; Direct Line International women's championships (Eastbourne); Wimbledon qualifying (at Roshampton).

WEDNESDAY

CHICAGE CHAMPBETTANNIC ASSURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP (first day of four): Derby:
Derbyshire v Sussex Darlington: Durham v
Kent. Briefold Gloucesiershire v Modleser.
Liverpool: Lenceshire v Glorrorgan. Northampton: North-amptonichte v Hampshire.
Trent Bridge: Notringhamshire v Yorkshire.
Bed.: Somesiel v Labourshire Wordshire.

OTHER SPORT

GUIDE TO THE WEEK AHEAD (5.40). SPEEDWAY: **Premier League: Hull v**

Glasgow (7:30) TENNES: Notanohem men's com louinament; Direct Line International women's championships (Eastbournel); Wimbledon qualifying (at Roehemptors). THURSDAY CRICKET

SECOND CORNHILL TEST MATCH (first day of five); Lord's: England v Australia. OTHER SPORT BOXING: Commonwealth heavyweight championship (vacant): J Francis (Wool-wich) v J Changangu (Zambia) (M Chechura).

Cheshurs). RACING: Ripon (2 10): Royal Ascot (2.30), Southwell (AW, 2.20) Southwell (AW, 2.20)
SPEEDWAY: Eithe Languer: Poole v King's
Lynn (7.30) Premier Languer (Auf) v
Berwick (7.30) Premier Languer four-teem
championship: Chaelifying round: Long
Eaton v Sheffield v Stoke v Stagness (7.45)
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champiopratips: (Eastbourne): Wimbledon championships (Eastbourne); Wimbledon qualifying and Club Med Cup (at Bretamment)

FRIDAY CRICKET UNIVERSITY MATCH (Urst day of three): Chelmstord: Essex v Oxford University RUGBY UNION

XV (at Ella Park, Johannesburg, 6.0)

RIJGBY LEAGUE VISA WORLD CLUB
CHAMPONSHIP: Pool At Bradford Bulls 4
Cronulia Sharks (7.30) Pool B: Adelande
Rame v Olitham Bears (11.30cm), Sheffield
Eaglas v Hunter Martners (7.30).
PRIST DIVISION: Develbury Barns v
Workington Town (7.45) Second division:
Lancachine Lyrox v Doncaster Dregons*
(7.30).

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(at Collingties Park, Northempton)
RACING: Ayr (2.10), Goodwood (6.30);
Newmarks (8.45); Redicar (2.20); Royal
Ascot (2.30)
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RUGBY UNION INTERNATIONAL MATCH: South Africe V British letes (at Newlands, Cape Town, 4.15)

RUGBY LEAGUE SUPER LEAGUE VESA WORLD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP: Pool B: North Queens-land Cowboys v Saford Reds (10 30am); Pane Saint-German v Perth Western Reds (7 0). OTHER SPORT

later face a future without him.

ATHLETICS: European Cup (in Munich) International match: Ireland v England (in Codig International match: Ireland v England in Costs,
BOXING: International Boxing Federation Inter-continental super-featherweight championship: B Jones (Cardif), holder) v the (al Star Laisure Cardire, Cardif) (GOLF: Ryder Collingines Senors Clesaciat Collingines Park, Northampton (ACOHO); Asoot (20; Ayr (2.15); Lingfield Park (AW, 6.15); Redicar (2.10); Widwahampton (AW, 7.0); Southwell (1.55) ROWING: Herriey women's regarts. SPEEDWAY: Elite League: Coventry v Boile Vis (7.30); Estabourne v Bradirod (7.30), King's Lym's Poole (7.30), Swindon v Wolverhampton (7.30). Premier League four-team championship: Clualitying round: Berwick v Glasgow v Newcastle v Ednburgh (8.30); Stote v Hull v Long Ealon v Sheilfield (7.30)

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Raiders v Wigaan Warmors (5.30am); Ceroberra

Helens v Pennith Panthers (6.35am).

FIRST DIVISION: Featherstone Rovers v

Huddersfield Glants (6.0); Hull Kingston
Rovers v Widnes Vikargs; Wakefield Tirrity v

Hull (3.30); Whitehaven Warmors v Keighley

Cougars (3.30) Second division: Barrow

Braves v Batley Butldogs, Hurslet Hawks v

Carfacle Border Raiders (3.30). Leight

Certitumors v Prescott Parthers.

OTHER SPORT ATHLETICS: European Cup (in Munich) BOWLS: Women's British championship BUNKA: Worker's collective Seniors Classic (at Collingtree Park, Northampton) MOTORCYCLING: British Superblike chempionship (at Brands Halch). MOTOR RACING: Formula Times champonship (at Outton Park).

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RUGBY LEAGUE: ONE-SIDED WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES LEAVE WEAKNESSES IN BRITISH GAME CRUELLY EXPOSED

Changes fall short of necessary revolution



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glance, the recommendations of a working party, which include a return from three to two profesional divisions and a reduction from 34 to 28 clubs by the 1999 season, do not go far enough in the light of the discrepancies in the standards of British and Australian rugby league raised by the world club championship.

The report by Sir Rodney Walker, the Rugby Football League (RFL) chairman, written before the championship started, was distributed to clubs last week. Only those suffering from myopia and motivated by self-interest could find fault with the basic tenet that some form of streamlining is necessary and that minimum standards must be met, in order for the game to develop and

Unfortunately, the world championship has highlighted more dead wood than the report suggests cutting out. No mergers would be forced on clubs, the cause of so much public opprobrium when the Super League revolution erupted two years ago. Rather. it would be a process of stealth with those clubs deemed surplus to requirements consigned to a new, part-time third tier of leading National

Conference teams. The implications for some clubs would be clear. Others might be motivated to combine resources, the obvious ones being Hull and Hull Kingston Rovers, Salford and Swinton, Widnes and Warrington and Leeds and Bramley, who already share Headingley. Merger discussions between clubs in Cumbria and elsewhere are taking place, with the obvious incen**Christopher Irvine** believes that

new report does not go far enough

tive that the £87 million from the Super League deal would be spread across a smaller

Recommendations on mini-mum capacities of 10,000 for Super League clubs and 6,000-7,000 for first division clubs merely reiterate minimum standards guidelines, issued in January 1996 in the Framing the Future document, that some clubs have chosen to ignore. These would become mandatory requirements if the 28 clubs were to operate on a franchise basis. Sir Rodney's report, which will be considered by club chairmen on Wednesday week, is also implicit in wanting to reduce the influence of the RFL chief executive position, which is held by Maurice Lindsay. Instead of one person being responsible for all decisions, associate directors in charge of financial, disciplinary, legal and marketing matters would be given decision-making powers, while an additional operational board of directors would oversee day-to-day

The report does not address the overseas quota issue, but Sir Rodney agreed yesterday that six foreign players per club were too many. "There are some notable exceptions, but a lot of southern hemisphere players now based here were second-liners in the competitions over there," he said. "In many cases, they are no better than our players. I sides would be rare in the world club championship, but the scale of some of the defeats has surprised me. Perhaps the British teams have one or two players of real class, but the Australians have five, six and more. In our competition, we still have 20-25 exceptional players. The trouble is that there is a rump of perhaps 200 in Australia." Were Sir Rodney's recom-

mendations to be rejected next week by the Rugby League Council, the need for change is now so apparent that the game's progressive wing would not stop there. The figure of 28 clubs in the report suggests a 14-14 split. except that the world championship results have highlighted that talent is spread too thinly, in which case a ten or even eight-team Super League by 1999 would be one solution.

the RFL and the British Amateur Rugby League Association edging towards a joint youth commission, better and more sustained grassroots development would be a starting point. The work necessary showed again yesterday in the 66-20 beating taken by London Broncos at Canberra and Halifax's simultaneous 58-6 loss at Canterbury in Australia, where crowds have slumped in proportion to the lack of competitiveness offered by British sides, with the

exception of Wigan. The burden on Wigan, solitary British winners in the first round, falls on them again when they play Brisbane Broncos today. Not even a repeat of their 1994 World Club challenge win there would hide the overall embarrassment felt by the British

Ecclestone's plan to float ready to stall on the grid

FEW can be envying Christian Purslow at the moment. Purslow, the London-based managing director of Salomon Brothers International, the American investment bankers, knew that he was not taking on an easy task when he agreed to float Formula One Holdings, which is controlled by Bernie Ecclestone.

However, so many stumbling-blocks have been placed in his way since the float was first suggested in the spring that the expected announce-ment today that the £1.5 billion share issue will not be launched until September will not be a surprise. Indeed, there will be some relief that Purslow thinks that the float can be achieved at all.

The fact is that Ecclestone has created a highly valuable business out of the inefficiencies of the sport. The people who run motor-racing teams are interested in getting the cars on to the circuits in the best condition with the best

Their interest in the money side is largely focused on raising enough finance to pay for a winning team. This mostly comes from sponsorship deals and the sponsors were brought in by the wide exposure that Formula One gets through a worldwide television audience running into hundreds of millions.

Meanwhile, Ecclestone was able to handle the talks with television companies and the owners of the racing tracks. This allowed him to make a nice turn on the negotiations

last year his business brought in £200 million and, even after he had handed over a share to the teams and the tracks, he was left with £85 million, out of which he paid himself a salary of £54

Formula One Holdings,

THE BUSINESS

which is registered in the United Kingdom these days,

has a 25-year contract to run

the sport with the FIA. its

governing body, which in turn

will have a 10 per cent stake in

Formula One. However, it has

had all sorts of trouble getting

all ten leading teams to sign

up to the so-called Concorde

agreement on the division of

the television income, which is

expected to grow significantly

with the introduction of pay-

Three in particular — Wil-

liams, McLaren and Tyrrell -

have been holding out for a

outstanding.

There is a feeling that the teams have missed a trick.

There is no reason why

Ecclestone, 67, still has to be at

the centre of the sport. Another

middleman could come in and

organise a rival Formula One

competition and, if McLaren

and Williams dropped out of

Ecclestone's circus, would it be

as attractive?. Also, how many

other teams might go and sign

Ecclestone claims the sup-

port of Ferrari, but last week

had a good go at shooting himself in the foot. He had

been particularly strong in his

objections to bans on tobacco

advertising and, in an interview, said that he would cancel the Italian and San

Marino Grands Prix if tobacco advertising was banned in Italy. If they go, it is hard to see Ferrari being as enthusias-

tic about Formula One. Adding to the woes are

up to a rival?

per-view television.

Warrington overrun o by talent of Girdler

Warrington Wolves 22 Penrith Panthers 52

BY A.CORRESPONDENT

RYAN GIRDLER yesterday became the latest Australian to make a name for himself at the expense of British rugby league. Girdler may be lacking in widespread recognition on his own home soil, but he will be remembered for a long time in Warrington.

True to form. Australia added another huge win to their collection — the sixteenth in 17 cross-hemisphere games. It is difficult to find any crumbs of comfort for a British challenge that is becoming more demoralised with every world club championship game. Warrington fell behind after

eight minutes when Girdler set up the first of two tries for Robbie Becket. Becket's second after 13 minutes stretched the lead to 8-0 and Girdler

added the extra points.
It was then that Girdler, almost single-handedly, took over. He scored his first my after 16 minutes when he intercepted a pass by Kelly Shelford inside his own half posed. Seven minutes later he followed a kick from Steve

Carter to touch down. Jody Gall added another try for Penrith after half an hour and only then did Warrington look like making a game of it. Tries from Sean Geritas and Mark Forster gave the home supporters some comfort. which was further sustained when Toa Kohe Love scored in

the corner. It did not last. Another Shelford pass went astray and Andrew Hinson crossed for Penrith. With Girdler kicking the goal and then adding a try shortly after, the contest was as good as over. Danny Farrar took Penrith further out of sight before Willie Swann brought Warrington back into the picture with a scrambled try. However, Penrith had the last word when Darren Brown's try took them to the half-century.

SCORERS: Warrington Wolver: Tries: M Forzer, Gentas, Kore-Love, Swann Goals: Bress (2), Rudd Parvith Parthers: Thes Grdfer (3), Becket (2), Brown Fartr, Gall, Hinson, Goals: Grdfer (7), Draw.

mison, Isoalis: Girdler (7), Draw.
WARRINGTON, WOLVES: C. Rudd, J. Roper, S. Finau, N. Vagane, M. Forster, K. Sheltord, I. Beers, G. Chambers, W. Swarn, W. Stevers, G. Mann, T. Taupui, P. Scuthope, Substitutes: T. Thomiley, S. Germas, C. Highion, T. Kohe-Love, P. Palerta, BALTILLEDS: B. Demonstration D. DEFINITH PARTHERS: F Jorgensen, R Becket, S Dorrec, R Girdler, A Hinson, S Center, C Gowor, C McNamera, D Farrer, P Attenson, J Gall, D MacGillinvay, D Brown Substitutes: B Boyd D Alexander, B Thompson, B Drew

Referee: R Connolly (Wigan)

Auckland turn the world on its head

Auckland Warriors 20

By CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

IT REALLY is an upside down world when the bottom club in the Australasian Super League can overturn the leaders in Europe and, moreover, do it while being one player short for 42 minutes. Something is amiss when 12 men can vanquish 13. Perhaps it is a further unpalatable truth about the gulf between northern and southern hemispheres in the world club championship.

At the end of a further bitter British disappointment on Saturday night, one wag suggested the opposition should continue losing players until an even contest was produced. Given the gross imbalance, especially of results in Australia, maybe a nine or ten-man Antipodean team would still be too much for a savaged European contingent to handle.

Auckland had enjoyed a handful of satisfactory wins in their brief history, but none as memorable as this one at a partisan Odsal Stadium. When Eru wrapped his arm around Hodgson's throat in the 39th minute, his malicious action looked to have dealt with his team's chances as vely as the manner in which he had poleaxed the young Bradford wing.

Defensively, Auckland were everywhere, while in attack they made a nonsense of their numerical disadvantage to exploit gaps and create scoring overlaps; delighting their coach, Frank Endacott. "It was our gutsiest win in three years as a club and to do it with 12 men made it even better," he said. "We knew we'd have to work overtime and we did that. Every player emerged with credit. We came

The Warriors have struggled in winning only three ers in Britain merely high misshapen and they carried



Medley, of Bradford Bulls, finds that there is no hiding place as he is tackled from all sides by the Auckland defence

times in their domestic season, yet in the space of nine days they have trounced St Helens, the Challenge Cup holders. and beaten Bradford, whose only consolation, such as it is, was that they have at least been competitive in losing twice by the same narrow scoreline. The match against Cronulla next Friday, which appears to be by far the hardest of the three games. might be a case of damage

limitation. That a relatively poor team in the Australasian competition can look like world beat-

lights the class divide. The Auckland game was a "banker" for Bradford. As they found against Penrith six days before, chances came and went. Whereas the opposition swiftly moved the ball wide, Bradford sluggishly ploughed down the middle and, apart from a surging run to the line by Bradley early in the second half, they wanted desperately for finishing pace.

In running away at the top of the Super League, Bradford have been able to shrug off a long injury list, but not so at this level. Their side was

too many passengers. Paul is obviously not yet fit and McDermott and Peacock, too, struggled on Saturday. Without Paul's inscirational spark. and with McNamara and Tomlinson subdued and wayward, the Bulls were never likely to explode.

Errors and missed tackles undermined the home team, who never fully recovered from the ease with which Kearney, the inspirational Auckland second-row forward, squeezed out a scoring pass to the electric Jones, in the fourth minute, despite

tacklers. Eru's dismissal and Bradley's subsequent try fuelled a false sense of expectation.

During a 10-minute period

in which both sides were one man short - McNamara having been sin binned for a professional foul - Ridge scored wide on the right. Auckland's advantage was short-lived, as the determination of Forshaw carried him through a thicket of defenders. When McNamara returned, his third goal briefly gave Bradford the lead. It disappeared five minutes from being wrapped up by three the finish, as Knox lost posses-

sion and Ngamu's long pass found Staladi, unmarked and in an acre of space. Although he missed the conversion, Ridge could not fail from in front of the posts with a lastminute penalty.

MILITUTE PETIATY.

SCOHERS: Bradford: Tries: Bradley.
Forshaw, Goale: McNamars (3), Loughin, Auckland: Tries: Jones, Ridge, Staledt.
Goals: Ridge (4).
BRADFORD BULLS: D Peacock, M Calland, PLoughin, G Bradley, A Hodgeon, R Paul, G Torninson, T Reihana, J Lowes, B McDermott, M Forshew, P Mediey, S McNamara. Substitutes: J Wittenberg, N Graham, S Knock, P Anderson
AUCKLAND WARRIORS: M Ridge; S Hoppe, R Ropets, S Endacott, P Steladt; G Ngemu. S Jores: J Vagana, S En, B Malam, A Tulmavave, S Keamey, D Betts Substitutes: M Horn, B Henare, L Swenn, M Noovao

bigger share. It is still not clear whether they have actually signed up yet, but Formula One cannot even think of floating with this issue

New boy finds himself with a hard act to follow

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

IT IS asking a lot of Sean Long against Cronulla tonight to fill the boots at scrum half of Bobbie Goulding, 48 hours after his £80,000 move from Widnes to St Helens, who urgently need to expunge the memory of a 42-14 defeat by Auckland in their opening world club championship match.

Long, 20, moved to Widnes from Wigan at the start of the season and now finds himself at Knowsley Road as a replacement for Goulding, who underwent a hernia operation last

weeks. Long will be partnered at half back by the experienced Karle Hammond, who has missed two matches with pneumonia. Andy Leatham returns to the front row.

Cronulia comfortably won at Warrington in their first match and the long list of St Helens' absentees make them firm favourites to continue the Australasian domination of the competition tonight.

Canberra fell a try short of equalling their 70 points record

66-20 rout of London Broncos at Bruce Stadium yesterday. Laurie Daley, the scorer of three tries, and Brett Mullins, who claimed two, both exceeded the club record tally of 75 tries held by Mal Meninga, now the Canberra coach, while David Furner's 11 goals exceeded his previ-

All but one of Canberra's tries was scored by the backs. Ruben Wiki and Ken Nagas, who scored six tries in the match against Halifax, touched down twice as the London defence against Halifax the previous week, was ripped apart. Early tries by although they still managed !! in a Martin Offiah and Scott Roskell had

ous best of ten.

the floodgates opened. Three tries were conceded while Terry Matterson, who added a late conso-

lation try, was in the sin bin. After a reasonably encouraging display the week before at Brisbane, Tony Currie, the London coach, was highly critical. "Our defence was absymal," he said. "The competition is a good idea. Australian clubs should be playing their British counterparts, but it should be restricted to the top couple of teams from each hemisphere. The only Halifax try, in a 58-6

bury, was scored by Michael Jack-son a few minutes before the end. The crowd at Belmore Oval was only 5,000, the lowest this season.

Karl Harrison, the Halifax captain, said: "It confirmed what we all know, that the British game is a long way behind. We'll go back to Britain in a week's time knowing we've advanced our learning by 18 months. The intensity of the game in Australia and the speed of the play-the-ball has been the decisive factor in our defeats and those of other British

HOCKEY

England blow hot and cold to finish second

ENGLAND managed a 2-2 draw with South Africa to finish as runners-up to Holland in the Rabobank international tournament at the Wagener Stadium in Amstelveen, Holland, yesterday (Sydney Friskin writes).

Holland, who defeated England 50 on Saturday, brought the tournament to a colourful end with a 40 victory over Pakistan before a crowd of 5,000.

England blew hot and cold against South Africa, who saved the match in the last 20 seconds with a goal by Nicol. South Africa snatched the lead in the third minute after a mix-up in the England defence allowed Cullen to set up the chance for Craig Ful-

ton to score. England then lost their way and, if the South Africans had experienced hetter luck, they

might have ended the first half three goals ahead. England, however, seized the initiative in the second half and, within five minutes. Wyatt levelled the score on the rebound from a short corner. South Africa were soon in disarray after Clark and Craig Fulton were put under suspension for dangerous

A goal by Giles, from a short corner in the 66th minute put England 2-1 ahead, but, in the dying seconds. Nicol broke through to score.

Pakistan were outrun by Holland, who led 1-0 at the interval with a goal by van Wijk. Lomans converted two short corners in the second half to finish top scorer with seven goals. A brilliant goal by Veen in the 68th minute completed the scoring.

Gollob leaves rivals in wake

SPEEDWAY

By Tony Hoare choice of starting position for

the final and opted for the outside line. After a quick

start, he stayed wide and

picked up enough drive to

power past Hancock and col-

Gollob has never ridden in

the British League, unlike the

majority of grand prix riders.

and he said that the victory

proved the strength of the

Polish League set-up, which

draws the biggest crowds in

lect 25 points.

TOMASZ GOLLOB scored a thrilling victory in the second round of the world championship grand prix in Linkoping, Sweden, on Saturday. Gollob, from Poland, swept past Greg Hancock, the winner of the Czech grand prix last month. in the A final to claim his first victory since 1995.

Hancock, from the United States, finished second to retain his lead in the grand prix standings, but acknowledged that the night had belonged to Gollob, 26, who started the meeting with four straight wins to all but secure a place in the decisive A final.

Gollob has shaken off a reputation for being erratic, although his fifth ride had the hallmarks of the old style as he missed bends to finish third. behind Hans Nielsen and Peter Karlsson. However, he still had first

the world. The Polish League is the hardest in the world, and this win will be a motivation and inspiration for my friends and colleagues who race in the league," Gollob said.

The meeting marked the return to form of Nielsen, who has won the world championship four times. He finished fourth to improve on his tenth place in Prague last month.

It was a frustrating night, though, for Billy Hamill, the defending champion, from the United States. In one race, he went from first to last and ended up in the B final, finishing seventh.

Hancock, the series leader and Hamill's stablemate with Team Exide, said: "Billy was unlucky tonight, but he has great inner strength and he will not let this get to him." Mikael Karlsson, who rides

for Wolverhampton in the Elite League, was taken to hospital for a precautionary check on a chest injury after crashing in his final qualifying ride.

GRAND PRIX POSITIONS (after two rounds): 1, G Hancock (US) 45pts; 2, T Goliob (Pol) 43; 3, B Hamili (US) 32; 4, F Rickardsson (Swel 28; 5, H Nielsen (Den) 24, 6, B Andersen (Den) 25; 7, M Loram (GB) 20; 8, J Nilsen (Swel) 20; 9, 5 Drabili (Pol) 18, 10, H Gustalisson (Swel) 17, 11, C Louis (GB) 16; 12, P Kartsson (Swel) 15; 13, L Adems (Aus) 12; 14, A Smith (GB) 9, 15, J Crump (Aus) 8; 16, S Wigg (GB) 3.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Offensive limitations costly for Monarchs LONDON Monarchs ended

their season with another close home game that illustrated their prime deficiency. a lack of offensive power (Richard Wetherell writes). In all but three of their ten games they have scored ten points or less. Their defence has managed to keep them in contention in most games, but, with little to defend, they have occasionally folded.

The 10-7 defeat by Rhein Fire at Stamford Bridge yesterday was a fitting end and meant that they finished with a 4-6 record for the third successive year. The Monarchs rarely reached the Fire's half. One of the few times they did move the ball, they built a 7-3, half-time lead as Michael Titley caught a 38-yard touch-

down pass. The only scoring in the second half came from Der- kick-off return by Eric Smith.

rick Clark's one-yard run, which ensured that the Fire ended top of the World League with a 7-3 record, and they will play in their first World Bowl in Barcelona on

Sunday. Scottish Claymores' remote chance of defending their title was destroyed by Barcelona Dragons on Saturday. The Dragons' 48-18 victory meant that they halted their recent fall from grace and that the two teams with the best record will be in the final.

Since qualifying to host the World Bowl by having the best record in the first half of the season., the Dragons had lost four consecutive matches, but they bounced back in some style, with Jon Kitna throwing five touchdown passes. The only highlight for the Claymores was a 95-yard

Formula One's German troubles, which include speculation that it may have to renegotiate its German television deals, worth more than £20 million a year, because of internal problems at Kirch, its German partner.

The sport is now looking towards the Far East for its future, with Malaysia and Thailand appearing to be prime locations for new dates in the grand-prix calendar. However, if the sport moves from its European base, will it lose its character? Ecclestone and Purslow are

playing a dangerous game by floating Formula One; but by trying to crystalise the full value of the goose that lays the golden egg, they may be in danger of killing it.

JASON NISSÉ

RUGBY UNION

Howley's enforced departure tears at heart of Lions

FROM DAVID HANDS IN CAPE TOWN

A DEFLANT Robert Howley left South Africa for home last night predicting that the British Isles would win the intersadness is that, if the Lions are to live up to that, they must do so without Howley, who started this tout as one of their very few world-class players

but who will now spend the next four months regaining fitness after dislocating his shoulder against Natal. Nor could the Lions easily lay hands on his replacement. Kyran Bracken, The Saracens scrum half, who re-estab-

lished his England career in Argentina this month, started a holiday in Tobago over the weekend and could not initially be located. However, he is due a

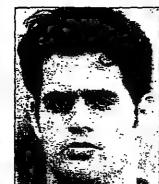
Heathrow today and will leave this evening in the hope of attending the game in Wellington tomorrow against

the Emerging Springboks.
The loss of Howley, 26, is substantial. The combination of a clever rugby brain and great pace had already shown itself on tour, most notably against Western Province on

His joust with Joost van der Westhuizen in the three-match series, which begins at Newlands here on Saturday, was eagerly awaited by the rugby public. "It's a shame I won't have the chance to pit my ability against him. it would have been a great contest." Howley said wistfully.

The two players, who opposed each other when Wales played South Africa in December last year, have similar attributes but on that occasion Howley had to play behind the losing forwards. Here, the Lions' pack will hope to establish parity at the very least but it is likely that Matt Dawson will operate the scrum, in harness with his Northampton colleague. Gregor

'No one was concerned about the result against Natal. only about my shoulder," Howley, whose family - in-



Bracken: replacement

cluding his fiancee, Ceri — were due to arrive in Cape Town on Thursday, said. That summed up for me the Lions ethos and how we have all come together over the last

The injury, to the left shoulder, happened when Howley darted from a ruck at King's Park on Saturday, went to ground and opponents fell over him. He carried on for four minutes in the hope that he could play through it, but the first pass off his left hand told him the injury was too

He is the fourth player forced out of this tour, after Paul Grayson, Doddie Weir and Scott Quinnell, but, with respect to his three colleagues. probably the first internation-

al certainty.
"It's the biggest disappointment in my career so far and probably will be in my whole career not to have the chance to play in a Test," Howley. who bruised the same shoul-

SOUTH AFRICA

v British Isles, Cape Town, June 21
A J Joubert (Natal), J T Small (Western Province), J C Mulder (Gauteng), E Lubbe (Groundrend West), A H Bryman (Northern Transveal); H W Honibell (Nottern Transveal); J P dur Randt (Free State), A C Deziste (Free State), A C Gervey (Natal), R J Kruger (Northern Transvael), M G Andrews (Natal), J J Strydom (Gauteng), A G Verther (Free State), A G Northern (Restate), B Wessels (Griqueton West), W Swerner (Griqueton West), W Swerner (Strigueton West), W Swerner (Strigueton West), W Swerner (Strigueton West), W Swerner (Nestate), S M Swerner (Strigueton West), W Swerner (Strigueton West

der during the domestic sea-

son, said.
"All the hard work of six or seven years has come to a very disappointing end." He is due to see a specialist on Wednes-day and will hope that, whatever operation is required, the recovery period will not bite too deeply into the new season with Cardiff. Howley's departure leaves three England scrum halves to shoulder the burden, though Andy Gomarsall, who played through most of last season, is not one of them.

Bracken, 25 and capped 14 times, was preferred to Paul John, of Wales, and Bryan Redpath, of Scotland, partly because he has played international rugby within the past ten days but also because his running style will complement lan McGeechan's pattern of play. "He's got good hands play. "He's got good hands and he'll be on the same lines as the scrum halves we have here," the coach said after the party's arrival in Cape Town last night. "He was very close to selection in the original

party anyway." The Lions, still pondering their options in the front row, back row and midfield, may not announce their side to play South Africa until the day of the game. They see no value in offering additional informa-tion to their opponents. "You try to get an edge wherever you can," Fran Cotton, the manager, said. "We are playing against the world champions on their own turi and you can't get harder than that."

South Africa, as expected. named a XV yesterday including Mark Andrews at lock instead of Fritz van Heerden from the side that buildozed Tonga 74-10 last Tuesday. Van Heerden has a hip injury and may yet be joined on the sidelines by Gary Teichmann, the captain, and James Small. Both men will have fitness tests today on hamstring inju-ries and Carel du Plessis, the coach, will want to know sooner rather than later whether they must replaced.



Lions maintain their momentum

Natal Sharks. British Isles XV ...

> FROM DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT IN DURBAN

THE British (sles negotiated the third and final leg of a potentially hazardous week with some style at King's Park on Saturday, but there can be no denying that the loss of Robert Howley removed much of the pleasure from their achievement. Nevertheless, such is the cohesiveness of this Lions party that, within minutes of the diagnosis being made on Howley's dislocated shoulder, the management was emphasising its faith in his English colleagues.

That Howley would have been the scrum half against South Africa next Saturday but for the injury that he

suffered in the eighth minute Time and again, he has insist-of the meeting with Natal on ed that his players must be Saturday is not in question. yet Matt Dawson, in two matches, and Austin Healey, in one, have indicated their capacity to play with the same characteristics. The substantial difference with Howley is one of experience and judgment, and Dawson scores higher than Healey in that respect, as well as having swifter hands.

Injuries are part and parcel of touring, according to Fran Cotton, and the party that he manages has now suffered four, yet it was Natal themselves who showed how important the missing link can be, since Kevin Putt might well have made more of the possession won by his for-wards. Instead, Robert du Preez and Hans Scriba found themselves hassled and harried to distraction by a Lions pack that scrummaged well and gave a youthful back row

Another opponent might have found time to test Neil Jenkins under the high ball, or to try to expose his pace over the ground, but not this Natal side, who played an almost English-style game of stop-start rugby. Their back division scarcely existed as an attacking threat, with Muller showing no outstanding reason for his selection in the national squad, save in

Ian McIntosh, their coach, was inclined to blame his tight-five forwards for a disappointing afternoon, one on which Natal's record of never beating the Lions seldom looked like ending, but neither their scrum nor lineout was so deficient that better half backs might not have made more of possession. Moreover, they enjoyed the benefit of the referee's interpretation of ruck ball in the first half, only to turn round 16-9 down against a side that sustained brilliantly its increasing reputation for a strong finish.

That was the aspect that brought ian McGeechan, the Lions coach, most pleasure. ed that his players must be patient in their build-up. The previous Wednesday, it was that kind of approach that produced Imin 44sec of sustained play before Healey's game-breaking try against Gauteng in Johannesburg. Here, a similar rippling effect earned Lawrence Dallaglio the final try and took the Lions past 40 points for the second ime on tour.

"I told Lawrence he could now consider himself a Lion because of the effort he put into that try." McGeechan said. "It was the last minute of the game, he had just made the play which freed the bail. yet he got off his backside to take part again when he was absolutely shattered." It was, indeed, a big game for Dallaglio, but no more so than for such players as Scott Gibbs and Jenkins, two Welshmen

at full back and stand-off half is not ideal because of Jenkins's limitations as a linebreaking runner, but it may be the best that these Lions

"Natal were short of six players, so we won't go overboard about scoring 40 points against them." Martin John-

who may well have pencilled their names into the XV for the

Jenkins has openly admit-ted his disappointment not to

have had more opportunities.

but, building on his 24 min-

utes as a replacement against

Gauteng, when he scored two

critical goals, he has nearly made himself indispensable

as a kicker. Not only did he

score 24 points - he missed

only twice - but he was also

responsible for restarts and

drop-outs, where he is far

more reliable than Townsend.

The combination of these two

first international.

son, the Lions captain, said pertinently. Here, the Lions did not play the fluid game that they have sought so far because Natal dominated possession initially and chose to

play a more lahoured game. Lawless put his side ahead briefly with his first two penalty goals either side of one by Jenkins, but Townsend's 🥌 dropped goal brought equality and he then followed through a chip by Wood - who was blatantly late-tackled by Le Roux for his efforts - for the first of the Lions' three tries.

Lawless and Jenkins exchanged penalty goals before the interval, but thereafter Jenkins was given all the kicking practise that he required, four goals in succession being disrupted only by Lawless when the front rows. not for the first time, went down. Another referee might even have awarded a penalty try when Natal's scrum collansed five metres out.

nstead, the tries can the more conventional route. The Lions forwards drove and Townsend, recognising space brilliantly, kicked for Catt, a replacement for Bateman, to is beat Payne to the touchdown, Evans created space for Hill and Catt to combine on the left before the Lions applied the final constricting squeeze. surging down the right before Dawson released Dallaglio to complete the destruction.

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Howley leaves the field nursing his injured shoulder

Surgery hits veteran All Black

MICHAEL JONES, the New Zealand flanker, underwent knee surgery yesterday after suffering a severe injury dur-ing the 71-5 victory over Fiji in Auckland on Saturday.

The injury may signal the end of the player's career. At the very least, Jones, the veteran of 51 internationals, is unlikely to play again this

Jones, 32, is no stranger to injury, having damaged the same knee against Argentina in 1989. Doctors doubted that he would walk properly again, but Jones, a devout Christian who refuses to play on Sundays, recovered and regained his All Black jersey. "Michael Jones has done so many amazing things coming back from injuries; don't write him off." John Hart, the All Black coach, said after the match on Saturday.

Andrew Mehrtens, the stand-off half, suffered a hamstring injury and will also miss the first international against Argentina, in Wellington on Saturday. Taine Randell, of Otago, will be

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switched to blind-side flanker, while Carlos Spencer, of Auckland, will make his New Zealand debut.

Hart said that Randell would do as good a job at No 6 as he did on Saturday in the No 8 jersey in place of Zinzan Brooke. No one is going to fill Michael Jones's shoes," Hart said. "It is an impossibility; he is a player apart in the game; but Taine is someone this panel has a lot of faith in."

Jones: knee injury

Canada won the Pacific Rim championship for the second successive year by defeating Japan 42-18 in Vancouver on Saturday. Although all four teams still have one match to play. Canada have an insurmountable five-point

lead over the United States. Canada scored 31 points in the second half after trailing 13-11 at the interval, wearing down the Japan resistance with wave after wave of forward drives that eventually opened gaps for the backs.

Gareth Rees, the captain, scored two tries, converted three and added two penalty goals to give him a champion ship total of 75 points. Other try-scorers for Canada were Mike James, Scott Stewart, David Lougheed and Scott Bryan. Japan's scorers were Oto, Iwabuchi and Nakamura, with tries, and

Iwabuchi, with a penalty goal. Pat Parfrey, the Canada coach, said that, at half-time he told his players "to relax, not to make turnovers and that the opportunities would come". They did,

Breakaway tries end Irish hopes

THE counter-attacking brilliance of Western Samoa overwhelmed the Ireland Deveiopment XV in Apia yesterday. The Irish, who led 25-23 at half-time, were beaten 57-25, conceding four converted tries when the Samoans elected to run the ball from their own

Pat Whelan, the Ireland manager, said, however, that his side had played well and only a lack of clinical finishing prevented the match being a closely-run affair.

"It was just the manner of the defeat that was so disappointing, because we played exceptionally well and conceded 28 points from their line,"

he said, "It was quite delicately poised until about ten minutes into the second half, when they got the breakaway scores which made all the difference. We had constructed all those attacking situations but then they broke away and turned it into points, so it was a kind of double whammy."

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Windsor victory brings Smith welcome comfort

triathlon wearing its Sunday

best. The swim takes place in

the Thames, followed by a ride

through picturesque Berk-

shire villages and Windsor

Great Park. The run goes along Eton Bridge and Eton

High Street.
The event takes in 900 years of British history," John

Lunt, the race director, said.

Unfortunately, the river has

been there a long time, too.

"Don't drink the water," Lunt

shouted to competitors as the

race was about to start. The

athletes laughed, at least those

While Brice was in athletics,

four-year absence and fin-

having," Coope said philo-

sophically. "It gives me some-

thing to work at."

ON A morning when two and Eton College, this was recent converts to triathlon made their presence felt, there was still no denying Spencer Smith, Great Britain's former world champion, the loudest fanfare in the PensiMax Royal Windsor race yesterday. Smith proved a comfortable winner, though that may be an inappropriate way of de-scribing how he felt.

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For the second season in succession. Smith's participation in his only British triathlon of the year looked in doubt. He was knocked off his bike while training on Friday, suffering cuts and bruises to an elbow and thigh. The timing of his misfortune was reminiscent of last year when. shortly before the Longleat triathlon, he fell down some

stairs and withdrew, While Smith was not sufficiently badly hurt to give serious consideration to pull-ing out yesterday, his bandaged right elbow beneath his wetsuit restricted his swimming stroke. The effect of

told on his performance. After the 1,500-metre swim

and 40-kilometre ride, Smith

set out on the ten-kilometre

run in fifth place. "Where's

Spencer? He must have

crashed," one spectator ob-

served, summing up the gen-

eral surprise that Smith, the 1993 and 1994 world champi-

on, was not forcing the pace as the leading riders turned into

Not until the run did Smith take a stranglehold. On the

first of three laps, he moved

crash is not the best prepara-

tion for a race and I'm sure it

took strength out of me." Smith said, but true champi-

ons can win when they are not

Smith's determination was partly to do with this being his

favourite British race, near to

where he was brought up. and

especially enjoyable for its

As the sun shone on a

backdrop of Windsor Castle

the transition park.

100 per cent."

unique scenery.

who had not drunk from the Thames before. "Make a deliberate attempt not to drink it." he insisted. Smith, after recent victories in St Croix, in the Virgin Islands, and San Diego. where he lives now, was introduced as "Hounslow boy done well". Richard Allen is Yorkshire's answer to Smith. now training in Florida and a

full-time professional. As a relative newcomer, his progress has been brisk. Sixth ner's Ihr 52min 52sec.

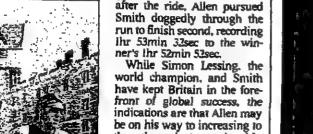
three the nation's membership of the elite. He, like Smith, was not entirely happy with his performance. "I kept getting cramp," he said.

"I suppose Spencer has always been my idol," Allen said. "He is so professional in the way he trains, looks after sponsors and leads his life. I am trying to model my career on his." Perhaps beat him one day? "At the Olympics would

triathlon by watching his father. Allen's sporting stage was a rugby pitch, playing for Yorkshire Schools Under-19s. 'I was never good enough to make it higher than that." Allen, now 23, said. "I went to watch my dad do a triathlon

into the lead by 21 seconds. "A Like Allen, Sian Brice was successful in another sport. Victory in the women's race yesterday was a quick return on the investment that West Merchant Bank, her employer, has made in her. It has agreed to give her a fivemonth sabbatical every year

concentrate on triathlon. As Sian Pilling, Brice was the fastest of the non-qualifiers



Smith said: "Maybe not this year or next year, but, in two or three years, Richard is going to be up there with me and Simon. He is a strong guy." Allen will be delighted to hear encouragement from such a revered source.

be at the European championships next month, when both will be medal contenders. "Two years ago at Windsor he beat me by three minutes, so it is coming down all the time," Allen said.

Until he was tempted into and it looked good fun."

up to the 2000 Olympics, to

Cornwall embarrass **England selectors**

By DAVID RHYS JONES

CORNWALL, who were not ing their first appearances this represented in the England international trial last month, sent a clear message to the national selectors when they swept past Gloucestershire, at Camelford, for their second win in two matches in the

Middleton Cup. County officials expressed their disappointment when not one player from the county was included in the trial, but their words were not as eloquent as the form shown by Cornwall's men, led by Duncan Hayne, who skipped his

rink to a 32-17 victory. It will not have escaped the Cornishmen's notice that Tony Allcock, Andy Wills and Les Gillett, three of Gloucestershire's skips, will be in the England team at Worthing in a couple of weeks, and that the county side is selected. coached and captained by Allcock. They were no match for the dogged Cornish, who won 131-114, the last straw for Gloucestershire being a narrow defeat for Allcock's own rink by Peter Gilbert's. Surrey and Norfolk, mak-

summer, collected encouraging victories against Berkshire and Cambridgeshire, respectively, while Sussex and Middlesex, who each lost last week, finished level, 123-123, at Worthing Pavilion.

Although one of the Middlesex players had gone home, an extra end was played, but was then discounted. Middlesex had won on four of the six rinks and, with five points for a tie, and two points for each winning rink, were declared the winners by 13 points to

☐ Bill Curran, of Manchester, who brought a gold medal back from the Paralympics in Atlanta last year, edged home 21-20 against Richard Far-nath, of Nottingham, in the final of the British wheelchair championship at Stoke Mandeville. Penny Tyler, from Coventry, notched up a double, winning the women's singles, and with Mary Ralfs, of Bristol, the pairs. Colin Ritchie, the Northern Ireland champion, won the tetraplegic singles title.



Race officials watch from a boat as competitors set out on their 1,500-metre swim in the Thames, the first leg of the Royal Windsor triathlon

British sport is ruling the world but the best is yet to come.'

Martin Johnson Captain of the British Lions 1997

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Chris McGrath meets a master American rider turning pupil for Royal Ascot

Stevens enrolling in course of study

There is nothing quite like \$12.7 million for relieving tedium, with the possible exception of \$12.8 million. Somewhere between the two is the amount of prizemoney accumulated by the 164 winners Gary Stevens rode last year, to finish fifth in the American jockeys' champion-

Racing in the United States is a treadmill of similar lefthand circuits. There are huge prizes on offer, but routine can numb the soul. Stevens, 34. has a lively, questing nature and is intent on enriching the closing years of a brilliant career in a rather different sense. He can declare, with a

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: SYLVAN PRINCESS (3.45 Brighton) Next best: Prince Foley (8.30 Windsor)

Thunderer gave four winners at York on Saturday including Return Of Amin (11-11 and Rattles Rousser (5-1) white The Times Private Handicapper (Gozald Hubbard) (op-rated Chaloas (100-30) at Leoester

conviction not everybody is privileged to share, that there is more to life than money.

So it is that he is making a ten-day visit to Europe. centred on the billowing pag-eantry of Royal Ascot — and laying the foundations for a longer stay some time in the future.

Before warming up at Sandown on Saturday. Stevens had ridden in Britain only once, at Newmarket ten years ago. "I was drawn in the middle of a field of 29. On my right. Pat Eddery said: Which way are you going, mate?' I looked at him, and back at the track. In front of me stretched



Stevens relaxes with his girlfriend, Charlene Pineda, at Sandown before preparing for his Royal Ascot challenge

out this long, straight course. rails meeting on the horizon. I mean, did I have a choice? Then the gates opened, half the field went left, the other half right, and I suddenly found myself alone in the

middle." It was an insight into the unmechanical variety of racing in Europe, at a time when Stevens was pondering a job

with André Fabre. In the event, he stayed at home and promptly won the Kentucky Derby on Winning Colors. But, in a sense he has been increasingly reverting to that lone, independent furrow in the middle. For he can boast in addition to resounding domestic success - the grateful esteem of the most influential figures in the global sport.

This week, for instance, he renews links with Sheikh Mohammed's Godolphin team and John Gosden, the Derbywinning trainer. In the longer term, with vagueness surrounding Walter Swinburn's future, perhaps his efforts for (Thunder Tabor Gulch in the 1995 Kentucky Derby) and Michael Stoute may prove more significant.

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Stevens is sympathetic to the patient rhythm of racing in Europe, objecting that the American sport is helter-skelter, sapping the young horse of the ability to "finish" a race. His aspirations here also reflect a devotion to the role model provided by Steve Cauthen, who became an admired champion of Britain racing after partnering Affirmed to Triple Crown success in 1978.

Watching that was what made me fall in love with the sport. Here was a 17-year-old kid on the cover of Time. He had a big impact on my career and goals."

The calm and articulate Cauthen was never consumed by his precocious talent, and Stevens, likewise, seems a rounded and engaging character. All the same, he would have loved to arrive on these shores having freshly enhanced the symmetry of their riding careers. As it was, he was caught in the shadow of the post on Silver Charm in the Belmont Stakes, the final leg, nine days ago — having stretched heroically for the first Triple Crown since Af-

Silver Charm lit a fire that hasn't been there since 1978," he reflected. "The most disheartening thing was that he ran the race of his life, only to lose out strides from the post. But at least I could wake up and think: now England. Al-

ways new goals.
"When I went to Hong Kong two years ago, it was the greatest learning experience i ever had. That late in my career, it was a taste that gave

"Ascot is probably the toughest meeting in the world. just want to enjoy the atmosphere, to be competing. I like to consider myself a student of racing, and this week is going to be an honour and an education."

Perhaps so, but one can equally well imagine Stevens teaching the locals a thing or two. Rest assured, with the winning post in sight, there will be nothing sentimental about this education.

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First Island dies from colic

THE lurid fashions at Royal Ascot tomorrow will strike a mournfully inappropriate note for Geoff Wragg, who yesterday lost one of his best servants. First Island (Chris McGrath writes). The crack miler was killed by an attack of colic. probably brought on by stress associated with the major surgery that was required after he fractured a cannon-bone on the Newmarket gallops 12 days ago.

First Island, tough and progressive, won the opening Queen Anne Stakes at last year's meeting, before going on to win the group one Sussex Stakes and — in what proved to be his final run and probably his best — last month's Lockinge Stakes.

Wragg's fine record at the royal meeting includes Arcadian Heights in the 1994 Gold Cup, which this time sees a rematch between Double Trigger, successful the following year, and Classic Cliche. his conqueror last season.

But Classic Cliche only carnt his place after putting some recently unsatisfactory work behind him over the weekend, and Double Trigger has also endured a troubled preparation. The latter will be ridden by Jason Weaver on Thursday, while Michael brother, Double Eclipse.

week is the big handicaps, sharpened him up a lot, and and there may be no more Richard Quinn will ride."

intriguing contender for the Wokingham on Friday than Alamein. He was William Haggas's first runner in six weeks at Newbury last Thursday, when - despite lacking his usual blinkers — he stayed on well to be second to Neuwest.

Roberts partners his full- didn't wear blinkers. He had For many punters, how- and would have done too ever, the real highlight of the much with them on. That

said. "He was short of work at Newbury, which is why he and would have done too

get the mile in the Britannia last year, or in the Lincoln, so we've taken him out of the Hunt Cup and will try him over six furlongs," Haggas a very long blow afterwards.

7.45 1, Eve Luna (B-4), 2, River North (20-1); 3, Sharaf Kaloser (5-1), Mediade Militare 15-6 lev 5 can 8.15 1, Sweet Revent (8-1); 2, Bold King (12-1); 3, Montano (4-1) Refined 2-1 lav. 10 ran. NR: Bunded Lane. 8,45 1, Ghratass (100-30; The Times Private Handicapper's top reting); 2, Blue River (9-4 lav), 3, Yorkshare (5-2) 6 ran. NR: Lenytsh. 9,15 1, Felth Alone (3-1 lav), 2, Prima Sili. (5-1); 2, Gold Edge (13-2), 14 ran.

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6.00 1, Dark Waters (10-3), 2, Le Grand
Gouser (3-1), 3, Habel (16-1), Duncomba
Hall 5-2 Lav 8 ran
6.30 1, Atbast (14-1); 2, Silver Hanow (101); 3, Roy Boy (33-1); 4, Super Park (7-1)
Dancing Lawyer 9-2 lev 18 ran
7.00 1, Tejrebah (10-1); 2, Daves Rock (101); 3, Viva Verbi (2-1) Shelstayfroly 7-4 lay
Ill rain

ns no. 7-30 1, March Crusader (3-1), 2, Aways On My Mind (11-2); 3 Mislabi (9-4 fav) 11 ran 8.00 1, Zamslek (10-1); 2, San Rockett (5-1); 3, Soveregn Crest (14-1) Krist & Biestre 9-4 lav 13 ran (2014) Bentumf (51,4 k finit 2) Septen

Lingfield Park

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SATURDAY'S RESULTS

York

Going: good to soft (good in places) 2.10 (6) 1. Gray Kingdom (D Memagit, 16-1), 2. Alasn (33-1), 3. Trivissib (7-1), 4. The Gay Fox (25-1). Benzos 6-1 lav 23 on 1**4, 41 M Benzo 6-1 627 60; £4 50, £12.50, £2.30, £8 10 DF; £552 50. Tno, £1,565.00 (part won Pool of £904.36 carnod lorward to foday) CSF: £474.41 Tricast: £3,732.38

2.40 (6) 1, Carbon (L Detion, 7-1); 2, Ins. May (8-1), 3, Lakeland Pnde (18-1) Success And Glory 5-8 (av 6 nan 1 ¼ 1 ¼ 1. D Morley Tote 56,70, 52 00, 52 80 DF 517.20, CSF 555 93. 2.17.20. USP E36.93, 3.10 (1m:206yd) 1, Draams End (K Fallon, 3-1 fav), 2, Eurobox 80v (14-1), 3, Sandmoor Chambray (7-1); 4, high Premaun (15-2), 16 ran 1 hi, 41 P Bowen fote 63.90, 61.30, 64.90, 62.50, 61.60 DF: 650.80 Tho 6180.30 CSF 644.41, Tricast: 6269.46

2.40 (60) 1 Return Of Amin (P Fessey, 11-1), 2, Double Action (14-1); 3, Bishops Coun (11-2), 4, Sharp Hat (9-1) Yorkis George 9-4 lav, 19 can, Mr. (1-1) J Bethol Tolar £18 70 £2 80, £4 00 £2 50 £2 20 DF: £164.10 Tros £572.30. GSF £150.51 Treact £907.91

11-13 (1m 3i 195yd) 1, Ratifies Rooster (Mass & Ramaden, 5-th 2, Shaffishayes (11-th), 3, Tempiress (10-th) Break The Rules 7-2 lav 14 ran, 3, 41 A Newcombe, Tote 8590 £1,60 £3,70 £5,90 £5; 247 20, Trio £646 50, CSF £52 26 Tricast £796 82 Theast £7/8 82 4.45 (Im 2) 85yd) 1, Premier Bey IJ Red, (0-1), 2, Union Town (5-1); 3, Lawahik (3-1) The Prince 9-4 lay 6 nan 114, 244 P Hanis Tote £15,70; £3 30, £2,70, OF £32 10, CSF, £55 93. 5.15 (71 202yd) 1, Musicon (J Reid, 4-5 fav). 2. Present Chance (15-2); 3, Sharbadarid (100-30) 4 ran 5t, 4t, M Stoute, Tote £1 80 DF, £6 40, CSF; £6 79.

Jackpot not won (pool of £10,437.61 carned forward to Windsor today). Placepot: £5,496.80. Quadpot £147.30. Sandown Park

Going: good to firm 1.50 (Si 6yd) 1, Stop Out (C Putier, 33-1); 2, McGsummer Night (7-4 p-las); 3, Katah (7-4 p-las); 7 ran W 13-1 H Momson Tote 24-90, £4-90, £1-30 DF £49-10 CSF-£80.87 2.20 (1m 2) 7yd) | Double Gold (T Quinn, 1-3 (av), 2, Chief Predator (6-1), 3, Euro Superstar (20-1), 4 ran, 134, 8, B Meshan, Tote, £1.30, DF: £1.70, CSF, £2.55

108: 21-30 for 17 for 22-32 for 14yd) 1, Baba Au Rhum (A Clark, 12-1), 2, Desent Time (25-1); 3, Thaichmaster (9-2 fay); 4, Soatong (25-1) 16 fam MR: Jone Hotley 2, 14, 1 Williams Tote, C14 80; 12; 50, 1990, 17 30, 124 10 DF 173:60 Time 1354 70 CSF 1271 78 Incast £1 430 26.

3.80 (1m fi) 1, Budimental (\$ Sanders, 5-2 lev); 2, Sir Talbot (12-1); 3, Dalliance (9-2) 9 ran 1 ki, Nd. M Prescott, Tote: \$4.20; \$1.80, \$3.50; \$1.80 (\$7.50; \$1.80, \$1.50; \$1.80 (\$7.50; \$1.80) \$1.50; \$1.80; \$1.50; \$1.80; \$1.50; \$1.80; \$1.5

Tribast 1274.39.
1.35 (5) 9yd) 1. Johnny Staccato (J Tate, 14-1), 2. Crowded Avenus (5-4 tav); 3. Westspring (5-1) 9 ran Nk, 19-1 J Eustace. Tone 119-50; 23.20, 21.90, 22.00 DF 240.70, The 1270-80 CSF 240.32. 5.05 (7) 16yd) 1. Warmingtond (D Harmon, 6-5 Jav); 2, Shawm (5-4), 3, Bml Shihama (10-1) 6 ran 3l, 3 lvl. J Fanshawa, Tote 22,70; £1 40, £1.10 DF; £2,00, CSF; £2,69

Bath

2.00 1. Brighstone (9-2): 2, White Plains (8-15 htv): 3, Racing Hawk (20-1): 12 ran 2.30 1. Islamabad (5-6 lay): 2, Gypsy HB (8-1): 3, Monte Lemos (13-8): 5 ran NR: 1 Cried For You Creat For Your 3.05 1. Russian Rose (7-2), 2. Maîtinas Mystique (4-1); 3. Paradise Newy (11-4 law). 7 ram NR: Pindle's Pinde

4.40 1 Sudest (3-1); 2. Ludo (5-1); 3. Stah (12-1) Farley Mount 5-2 lay 8 ran 5.10 1, Spender (10-1), 2, Gr La High (8-1): 3, Ned's Bonanza (15-8 lav) 9 ran

Market Rasen

3.15 1, Bodantree (11-1); 2, Chieftain's Crown (10-1), 3 Well Armed (9-2 tav) 14 8.45 1. Stately Home (3-1 (Llav): 2. Weaver George (3-1 (I-lav), 3. Super Con (8-1), 8 ran

Leicester

Friday's late details

Chepstow 6.40 1, Stackettack (3-1 (t-fav), 2, Cauchto (20-1); 3, Actero. (14-1). Bellas Gate Boy 3-1 (f-fav. 12 mn

1 (Helv. 12 fair 7.10 1. Prospering (20-1); 2. Effervescence (9-4 kay), 3. Prince of Fortune (7-1) 10 ran. NR. Feel A Line Rule 4 applies to all bots, deduct 10p in pound A appear to at ooss, declude 10p in pound 7-40 1, Richtymar 64- (I.-kav.), 2, Metodica (4-1), 3, Ibhissar (20-1), Damoing Feather 6-4 (F-law 5 ran. 8.10 1 Anak-Ku (7-2); 2. Routemaine (2-1 kay), 3, Monument (11-2) 5 ran. 8.40 1, Indian Missale (Evens tav); 2. Biolessa (3-1); 3, The Rich Mon (5-2) 5 ran. 9, 10.1 Elisters Member (11-4 km); 3, Checker 1, 10.1 Elisters Member (11-4 km); 3, Checker 9.10 1, Flying Herold (11-4 lav), 2, Classic Leader (20-1); 3, Miles's Double (5-1) 15 ner.

Goodwood 6.30 (, Shining Example (11-2); 2, Cultan Reef (2-1 lav); 3, Tribal Peace (14-1), 14 ran 7,00 1, Filliah (5-5 lay); 2, Jilled (14-1); 3, Composition (10-1), 9 ran. 7,30 1, Titte Ruffe (7-2), 2, Moon Blest (5-2), 3, Rhapsody in White (10-1), Nishamny 5-4 fav 5 ran 8,00 1, Mercilless Cop (5-2); 2, Tubas (20-1); 3, My Beloved (3-1) Mistoelia 7-4 fav 7 mn

ren 8,90 1, Catcheble (100-30); 2, Dark Green (1-3 tav); 3, San Glamore Melody (8-1); 3 5.00 1, Ivory Dewn (7-2); 2, C-Harry (5-2 fev); 3, Prince Zanda (5-1). 8 ran. NR: VIP Charles

Market Rasen

8.50 1 Say Fair (7-4); 2, Caught At Last (13-8 fav); 3, Sheerroom (9-1), 5 ran NR Hever Golf Dernand 7.20 1, Ragian Road (8-1); 2. Supposin (7-2), 3. Mischevous Carl (33-1) Rush, Elade 2.1 bu 6 can 2-1 tav 6 ran. 7.50 1, Kinnescash (5-1), 2, Sarmatian (6-1), 3, Weich Mil (6-1) Royal York 4-1 lay 13 820 T Jamalcan Flight (11-8); 2, Acajou III (4-6 lav); 3, Dumonta (50-1), 4 ran 8.50 T Tapeatch (2-1 lav), 2, Seven (12-1), 3, Storm Fatton (6-1), 7 san NR Thats The

2 (27 39-1 GOOD NEWS 41 (C.F) 34 Mindowck, 3-4-13 . R Perham 32 3 53 -944 WHSSPERD MELODY 24 (BF) R Almhors 43-11 A Clark 32 4 (1) -594 COLER'S MISSIAN 12 (B.O.F.) 25 (B.O.F.) 25 (C.F.) 24 (D.F.) 25 (C.F.) 2.15 Kim's Brave. 2.45 Philister. 3.15 Tommy Tortoise. 3.45 Sylvan Princess. 4.15 Linden's Lad.

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4.15 COLDEAN MAIDEN HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,174: 6/ 209yd) (9)

3.45 HARLSHAM FILLIES HANDICAP STAKES

(3) \$200 SYLWAY PRINCESS TO (CD.F) (I Cospose 4-16-0

11-4 Bold Spring, 9-2 Mess Bussalom, 5-1 Saturbaness, 6-1 Ar Hyd Y Ross, 7-1 Carron Shoot, 6-1 Linclen's Last, 18-1 First Of Versi-Aust, 12-1 others

4.45 HAMMINGTONS OF BRIGHTON HANDICAP (3-Y-0; E3,518, 5) 213yd) (8) 1 (7) 4404 JUST LOUI 2 (0.0) W G M Tursur 9-7 ... 3 Sweening (3) 42 (1) 5-41 MASTERSTROKE 153 (C.D.F.&) 8 Meetinn 8-12

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6.45 Flower O'Cannie. 7.15 Juicy Ting. 7.45 Sparky. 8,15 Upper Mount Clair. 8.45 Oaley. 9.15 Meranti. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 8,45 Blue Lamp. 9,15 Swift.

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES) DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

6.45 TATTERSALLS MAIDEN AUCTION SKY FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-0: E3,373: 61) (17 numers) DELICANCES (2-Y-O: £3,373; GI) (17 number DELICANCES) (2-Y-O: £3,373; G

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3-1 Sparky, 7-2 Hammaddie, 4-1 March Margottl, 6-1 Embert Lady, 8-1 others. BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Brighton: 3.45 Queen's Insignta. Musselburgh: 2.30 Time Of Night 4.00 Impensi Or Melinc Pontefract: 6.45 Beechwood Quest 7.45 Sadler's Blaze Windson; 6.30 Kalby. 7.30 Orielus, Tyccon Grif 9.15 Legend Of Assortion.

8.15 PONTERNACT CUP (Handicap: £3,915: 2m 1/216yd) (16)

14 2165 TANCHED MISCHIEF 18 (§) D Bader 6-7-10 Jump Bessen (7) 3
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16 /606 HUMTING GROUND 63 (F,S) S Bangk 9-7-10. R Wireston (7) 2

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3 4058 BURKLERS 607 7 (CD.F) J 4 Cours 4-9-3. J Wester 3
4 5-65 JUST DISSORUTI 10 (CD.F.G) R Wilster 5-9-3 D McKerows 5
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13-2 Hallmank, 7-7 Upper Maust Clair, 8-1 Highthyrn, Massauss, 10-1 High Plus, Adam Suldt. 12-1 Siede Bir, Longovalt, Tantone Mischiel, 16-7 others

9.15 WALKUT HANDICAP STAKES

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4 3201 SWAT 19 (D.F.S) M Polylate 3-9-5 N B Roberts 11
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MASSE QUARTE Training: M Tomplane. 6 wigners from 17 agreets, 25.3%; R Guest, 3 hum 11, 27.3%. 5 Wilhers, 7 hum 27, 25.9%, T Elbergolou, 4 hum 18, 22.2%, J Barry, 34 hum 159, 21.4%. P Evens, 6 hum 51, 77.4%. Judgers, J Wesser, 22.5%. R Carley, 25 hum 177, 19.8%; A Culture, 19 hum 62, 16.7%. Sweets A Hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 13.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%, R Lapper, 4 hum 29, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 48, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 48, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 48, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 48, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum 47, 12.8%; P J Fessey, 6 hum

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Volunteers proud of achievements as final leg nears

By EDWARD GORMAN, SAILING CORRESPONDENT

THE BT Global Challenge is not quite over yet. Although the race is all but won by Mike Golding and Group 4, there is still the last leg, from Boston to Southampton, starting in a week's time.

When the volunteer crews finally sail back into the Solent next month, they will have completed a voyage of some 34,000 miles. They will have circumnavigated the globe and survived the worst that the Southern Ocean could throw at them. For most of the 200 or so

volunteers, who paid £18,750 to take part, the Boston stopover has been a time for reflection. The adventure is coming to an end, and a return to "normal life" is in the offing. So was it worth it? Has the disruption to family and professional life, the remortgag-ing or selling of homes and all the other enforced changes wrought by the race, been justified by Sir Chay Blyth's experience of a lifetime"?

Jim Capstick and Lucy Duncan, the two crew volunteers sponsored by The Times, are in no doubt that it has been worthwhile, though both would like to see changes in the way that the next race is organised.

They are both classic products of the Blyth school of sailing. Capstick, 38, a mounted policeman, and Duncan, 36, a midwife, had done little sailing when they won the competition in The Times that provided £10,000 towards



Capstick and Duncan have one stage to complete

their crewing fees. Now they are hardened veterans, though they admit that their sailing skills are heavily biased towards crewing offshore only.

For Capstick, the hardest part has been the wrench of leaving his family. He and his wife, Tracey, have three child-ren, including a daughter, Georgia, born three weeks after the race started. Capstick found that he could not bear the long absences and has spent more than £7,000 on air fares home from the stopovers at Rio de Janeiro, Cape Town and Boston, while Tracey and

Global Challenge

the children went out to New Zealand and Australia, "The emotional challenge of leaving the family for so long

has definitely been the hardest thing," he said from home yesterday. "We didn't budget for the extra fares, but we are not in debt because of them, as we have already remortaged the house, so we had a bit of a buffer." Duncan, talking from her hotel in Boston, said that she

has loved every minute of the race, partiv because of the good mix of people on her yacht, Concert. This has not

Boston was a "leg too far", reflecting a general feeling in the fleet that it is time to come home. Capstick also believes that skipper selection must be done more carefully next time. There is no doubt the skippers are not fairly matched in terms of experience and in terms of knowledge of this sort of race," he said. As he prepares to return to

confident about it?

probably not," she said.

sailing round the world - you

only leave port five of six

times. I could probably crew

if I wanted to do it on my own,

I don't think it would take

long. I feel capable of it - I feel

Like Capstick, she intends to

carry on sailing, though she

has had enough of ocean

racing. "It's great when you're

doing well, but, when you sail

into a hole and watch people

sail by, that's absolutely mad-

dening," she said. "It's too

Both feel that the leg to

much a matter of chance."

I could do anything."

for somebody confidently, but,

There are odd things about

his police horses, however, he has no regrets. "For me, it was not a case of wanting to sail around the world, as such." he said. "What I wanted was a great adventure and a great challenge, which is what it has



Stodel, left, and Heppell, her partner, in practice before they challenge for the Mirror Dinghy world championships in Canada

Riding crest of wave against the odds

Some people overcome the most severe handicaps to be successful in sport. Their disadvantages give them resolution and enterprise because they are accustomed to perpetual struggle. Even the smallest task can be onerous, demanding not only determination. but also the mental acuteness to solve difficulties.

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For Hannah Stodel, being without a right forearm since birth has not prevented her participation in activities such as hockey (she plays in goal), netball, where she has learnt to catch one-handed, athletics and rounders at Holmwood House School in Colchester, Essex. It is in sailing, though, that she has reached international standard, qualifying for the Great Britain team for the Mirror Dinghy world chamin Canada in

Stodel, 11, will crew for Letty Heppell, 18, who won the women's world title at the last championships, in 1995. Being friends and members of Brightlingsea Sailing Club,

John Goodbody meets a girl who has overcome her disability to achieve international standard in sailing

they paired up last year before the qualification races. Heppell's father, Steve, who coaches them, is not overly complimentary in recalling their early efforts. "When going round buoys, they looked like a helicopter which had crashed in a broom cupboard," he said.

"However, their graph of results improved very quickly. It is remarkable how Hannah has adapted. Sailing is a very symmetrical sport. For instance, you have to learn to tack from side to side.

"The fact that they had to find out how Hannah was going to crew has been a real advantage. Everything has had to be choreographed. It has forced them to think."

Stodel said: "Sailing does involve a lot of grey matter. You have to work out the best way to do things. Trimming a sail is a precision thing. A

and front of the race. We have got equal roles. For instance, petition. "The adrenalin rush IN SCHOOLS try to be one of the first boats

couple of inches on a sheet makes a big difference." in the later races last year, people were asking: "How do they do it?" With persistence and intelligence was the answer, plus expert coaching and financial support from the UK Sailing Academy and the Local Initiative for Enterprise (Life) in Colchester. Heppell, who is taking A

a category B event, designated for semi-professionals. A boat costs about £1,000 if you build yourself, while Letty Heppell and Stodel have two levels at Coine Community College, in Brightlingsea, recbetween them, so they can try things out on one boat before ognises Hannah's contribu-tion. "We talk all the time in moving into the other. They sail every weekend races," she said. "She tells me where the shift of the water is, which boats are at the back

when Hanriah is doing the

spinnaker, I'm doing the jib."

Heppell is enthused by com-

on the start is amazing as you

Her father described sailing

as consisting of three activi-

ties: the physics of the sails;

the tactics of the racing and

the athleticism. Mirror din-

ghies are the training class of the Royal Yachting Associ-

ation, in which an adult and

child can sail alongside each

other. "When the child gets

too heavy, he or she kicks the

adult out," Steve Heppell said.

away," she said.

between March and September. The sport was not always pleasant experience for Stodel, however, who was introduced to it at four by her mother, Sue, who was in the Britain team for two years in the 470 class in the late Eighties. She said: "Hannah was quite timid to start with. but the struggle and effort were worthwhile." Her daughter smiled: "Let us say mum had words with me." Stuart Thackrah, the head-

master of Holmwood House, said: "If someone has a speciality, we do everything we can to allow the pupil to follow it. Hannah has achieved more than we could have hoped for. She has an artifical limb, but has discarded it. She is a super girl."

Bailey steers way to first Etchells title

GRAHAM BAILEY, in Arbitrator 1, sailing with Stephen Bailey and David Heritage, did just enough in a nail-biting last race in the Hackett Etchells national championships in Christchurch Bay on Saturday to clinch his first national title in the class (Edward Gorman writes).

After a close-fought series, three skip-pers in the 32-strong fleet were in the hunt for overall honours going into the sixth and final race. Conditions did little to ease pre-race nerves, with the moderate northwesterly breeze shifting by up to 35

Bailey went to the start 3.6 points ahead of Poul Hoj-Jensen, in Union Jack, with Adam Gosling, the Etchells world cham-pion, in Yes!, a further four points adrift. In order to be certain of winning, Bailey needed to be no less than one place behind Hoj-Jensen and fourth or better if Gosling

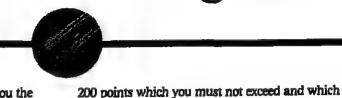
. Hoj-Jensen led from the first mark to the finish, while Bailey found himself back in sixth at the top of the first beat, but managed to pick off a place on each subsequent leg and eased past Ante Razmilovic, in Swedish Blue, on the final leeward mark rounding, to secure a championship-winning second place with a series total of 22.4 points.

Poul led at the first mark which was a nightmare for us," a relieved Bailey said afterwards. "We just had to fight our way through to second. It was tricky because the wind was shifting so much. On the second beat, the whole pack went quite hard for the shore, while we played every shift we came to and ended up quite far from the pack." Hoj-Jensen finished second overall on 23 points, with Gosling third on 44 points.

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Win a trip to Barbados





The Times and Sporting Index give you the chance to win a 10-day trip for two to Barbados to see the West Indies play, in our exclusive Ashes Test competition. The prize will go to the player who scores the most points over the sixmatch series. There are also prizes for individual Tests. Today we offer a pair tickets to the Test at Old Trafford and to the fifth Test at Trent Bridge. The game allows you to challenge our cricket experts without risking your own money.

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CHANGING TIMES

Fire Ball provides royal win FROM LIZ PRICE

IN PARIS

FIRE BALL won the Prix Katko, a two-mile steeple-chase, at Auteuil yesterday to give the Queen Mother her first success in France. The four-year-old, a half-bred, is trained by Francois Doumen. After the race the winning trainer rushed off to telephone Michael Oswald, the Royal Stud manager, who was absolutely thrilled with the

Oswald said: "Her Majesty the Queen Mother thought it would be fun to own a halfbred after she wimessed more than once the incredible success of Francois Doumen with his half-breds in England,"

The Queen Mother first met Doumen in 1987 when presenting him with the trophy for his victory with Nupsala in the King George VI Chase at Kempton. They have met regularly since as Doumen, who is fond of English racing, won the King George twice more with The Fellow (1991) and

Algan (1994). Doumen said: "You cannot imagine my delight and surprise when I was told earlier this year, on Gold Cup day at Cheltenham, that the Queen Mother wanted to own a steeplechaser in France. I was told explicity to look for a suitable half-bred and in April I was happy to tell her that I

had found one." The Chantilly trainer added: Fire Ball is going away now for a deserved summer break and I believe he will be even better when he returns in the autumn."

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Chance meeting puts Hoy in the clear

BY JENNY MACARTRUR

ANDREW HOY, a team gold medal-winner at the past two Olympic Games, yesterday became the first Australian to win the Bramham International Horse Trials after leading from start to finish on his chance ride, Swizzle In. Hoy, who first sat on Gina Flood's 12-year-old gelding two weeks ago, completed a clear round in the rain-soaked showjumping phase to win by 3.2

In the most illustrious lineup in the 24-year history of the event, Mark Todd, of New Zealand, a dual Olympic gold medal-winner, took second place on Guiseppe Veronesi's Broadcast News and Matt Ryan, Australia's 1992 Olympic individual gold medalwinner, finished third on his exciting new international prospect Walking on Water, a former racehorse.

The best Briton was Leslie Law on Perryfields George,

who had been in third place evernight but dropped to seventh after incurring 15 faults in the showjumping. Hoy, 38, who is based in Wiltshire, was invited to ride Swizzle in when Flood had to return to her native Bermuda unexpectedly. She had had to retire the horse from the Punchestown event last month after a mistake at the water.

Despite only one crosscountry "school" before the event, Hoy completed a clear round over Mark Phillips' acclaimed cross-country course on Saturday. Yesterday, when he had to go clear to retain first place, he displayed his horsemanship with a masterly round in which the 12year-old gelding appeared to meet each of the 12 fences on a

Todd acquired Broadcast News — a 14-year-old gelding not unlike Charisma, his



Hoy guides Swizzle In towards the serene clear round that secured a narrow victory in the Bramham International Horse Trials yesterday

Olympic horse, in size and colour - earlier this year after Vicky Latta, the horse's former rider, retired from the sport. A superb performance on Saturday, in which he took all the quick routes, was followed by copybook clear round in the

Karen Dixon, of Britain, had the distinction of being the

only woman rider in the top eight after finishing eighth on Too Smart. Dixon, who had to withdraw the II-year-old gelding from Badminton last month because he was suffering from corns, seems certain to be added to the longlist for the European championships in September. Too Smart confirmed his accuracy across

country, taking the quick Fence 14, The Bull Pen. Yesterday he had just one mistake.

Earlier, Julie Robinson, 21, gained the bigget success of her career when she won the Yorkshire Post Young Riders Championship on the thoroughbred Irish Skater after one of only a handful of clear

rounds in the showjumping. Her win came at the expense of Jamie Atkinson, a Nottingham University student, who was in the lead at the start of the showjumping on Salerosa but made an expensive mis-

take at the first fence. Robinson had thought there was "no way" she would even get round the cross-country

MOTOR SPORT: HEARTBREAK FOR PORSCHE AS ALBORETTO TAKES CHEQUERED FLAG IN THRILLING FINISH AT LE MANS

away from the field

THE Auto Trader RAC tour- of Gabriele Tarquini, the 1994 ing car championship yester- champion, into first and secday produced a race filled with ond places, respectively. They ment, a touch of controversy and a smidgeon of chaos.

For once, Alain Menu, from Switzerland, the runaway series leader, was under pressure. His Williams-built Renault Laguna started both races from pole position, but he took up the first of these in a cloying drizzle and was promptly swamped by the superior traction of the fourwheel drive Audis of Frank Biela, the defending champi-

on, and John Binteliffe. Menu stormed back to take second place, but Biela, of Germany, remained out of reach to score his second win of the season. The skies cleared for the second start and Menu was expected to breeze to his eighth victory from 12 races.

Instead, he made a rare mistake that allowed the Volvo \$40 of Kelvin Burt, the local driver, and the Honda Accord

the start, though, and were hit by ten-second stop-and-go penalties. That was the controversy. The chaos arrived when Tarquini, who was now lead-

ing, peeled into the pits to

accept his penalty.

He did so at the conclusion of a safety car period, in which the cars slow down and bunch up to allow wreckage to be removed from the track. No driver is allowed to overtake before the safety car withdraws and the start line is crossed to begin the next lap. The leader never crossed it, though, and a briefly confused Menu hesitated and caused a multicar, nose-to-tail accident. Tim Harvey, in a Peugeot 406. emerged in second place and held on to equal his best result of the season behind Menu, who increased his already substantial lead at the top of the championship table with

Menu still pulling Kelleners hopes go up in flames were being followed for tele-

FROM KEVIN EASON

TWO hours and 15 minutes from the chequered flag, and with a lap in hand over the leners looked in the rear mirrors of his Porsche GTI to see flames bursting from the engine compartment. Within seconds, the car, and Kelleners' hopes of winning the Le Mans 24-hour endurance

race, were a charred shell. Kelleners, of Germany, and Yannick Dalmas and Emmanuel Collard, his French co-drivers, had led almost from the start. Confidence in the Porsche works team garage turned to disbelief; one mechanic simply sat on his haunches and burst into tears. If he was looking for consolation, there was precious little

along the pit-lane. The glory and winner's garland went, instead, to a Porsche prototype, driven by Michele Alboreto, the former Formula One driver, of Italy. Only 17 of the 48 cars that started made it to the end of the race. For the unluckiest,

than a sprint, particularly for many of the British challengers. BRM, the Norfolkbased team, managed to last just more than 24 minutes re giving up the ghost. Marcos 600LM through Ihr 27min and the two Lister Storms, sponsored by Newcastle United, managed Ihr 29min and 7hr 49min before their annual

outing was over. The two Panoz cars that vision by Noel Edmonds could not last the pace either, though their "Batmobile" styling and rumbling Ford V8 engines entertained the Britcontingent in the crowd. Edmonds was actually the

fuel mechanic in the pits, but was able to hang up his helmet and fireproof overalls as the last of the Panoz cars ground to a halt yesterday morning.

RESULT



Alboretto: won by one lap

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Mechanics

blow away

among a handful of his top

rivals. The fact that Roche had

previously linished in second

place on four occasions meant

that Dangerfield was only too

aware that he had a real battle

Once over the mountain

summit, however. Danger-

field put in a do-or-die effort

as he plunged through the

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of laps adrift. CYCLING

Dangerfield fashions speedy drop to victory

STUART DANGERFIELD.

Windward THE Mechanics carried off the Cooch Behar Cup at Midhurst, Sussex, yesterday, beating Windward 11-7 over five chukkas (John Watson

Mike Rutherford's team owed their superiority to their more forceful attacking element. Pivoted on Alan Kent, the all-England six-goaler, this squad also field a pair of dashing forwards in Adrian Wade and, in the No 1 slot, Oliver Taylor, who is patently under-handicapped.

For Windward, Juan Bollini and Lord Charles Beresford played a clever, mutually supportive game. However, both of them were penalised for disputing umpires' decisions, Beresford being sent off the pitch for half a

The last chukka opened with the Mechanics firmly in control and leading 11-4. However, Bollini, having been rather wild with his hitting earlier in the game, scored three goals without reply from the Mechanics to reduce considerably Windward's deficit. MECHANICS: 1, O Taylor (3), 2, A Wade (5), 3, A Kent (6), back, M Rutherload (1)

in his first race since winning Last year he "lost" the race the national 25-mile champ ionship two weeks ago, made at Governor's Bridge, missing a 60mph descent of Snaefell to the hairpin and having to stop pull back lost time and win the and retrace his steps to finish Manx international time-trial second, nine seconds behind over one lap of the 37.75-mile Antony Langella, of France; TT circuit yesterday. but not yesterday. He pulled "It was a bit hairy," was an back the deficit on Roche to understatement of his speedy win by six seconds in thr 27min 57sec, and, in the prodrop down to the finishing line in Douglas, but it was necescess, recorded the third fastest sary. He had barely caught

ride in the history of the the words of a roadside helper, telling him that he was three Matthew Postle, of Wales, seconds down on Andrew was third and, completing a Roche, Manx-born but now an British Isles clean sweep Irish citizen, at the summit of Stewart Duff, of Scotland, Snaefell (2,036 feet) after the took fourth place. Christophe five-mile climb from Ramsey. Morel, of France, provided the best of the overseas challenge. Dangerfield knew that Roche, whose father, Brian. finishing seventh. won the event in 1969, was

Harry Walker, a bronze medal-winner to Dangerfield in the 25-mile championship, won the Oxford University 50mile event in 1hr 43min 19sec. finishing three minutes clear of Roy Jackson.

SQUASH

Eyles succumbs to Egyptian curse

FROM COLIN MCQUILLAN IN CAIRO

never an easy task for any sportsman, but, when the opponent is Ahmed Barada. 19, the volatile Egyptian, and the venue an open-air court at the foot of the great pyramids of Giza, the challenge reaches

epic proportions.

When those two forces converged on Rodney Eyles, the world No 2, from Australia. last year in the quarter-finals of the Al Ahram international championships, he subsided meekly. This year, when fate dictated a rematch at the same stage of the tournament, he was determined to be less

The job of keeping control of Barada, whose abrasive style of play is never more in evidence than when playing in front of his passionate home crowd, fell to Nasser Zahran, compatriot and referee whose career as a player was hallmarked by many uncom-promising performances.

Zahran made 120 decisions during Barada's 88-minute

PLAYING a home favourite is victory. There were 21 penalty strokes, most of them against Eyles, and two conduct warnings for each player before Barada edged home 11-15. 15-8, 15-12, 15-9. Late in the third game, with Eyles advancing menacingly on Barada, Zahran told Eyles: Do that one more time and I'll kick you out of the court."

After the match, a distraught Eyles ran all the way back to his hotel from the court normally a 15-minute bus ride down a dusty road.

Today it is the turn of Peter Nichol, of Scotland, to face Barada, Nichol having been granted a more comfortable passage when Del Harris, of England, was forced to concede their match after 40 minutes because of illness. Cassandra Jackman and Suzanne Horner, the British quarter-finalists in the women's event, lost comprehensively to their Australian opponents, Carol Owens and Sarah Fitz-Gerald, respec-

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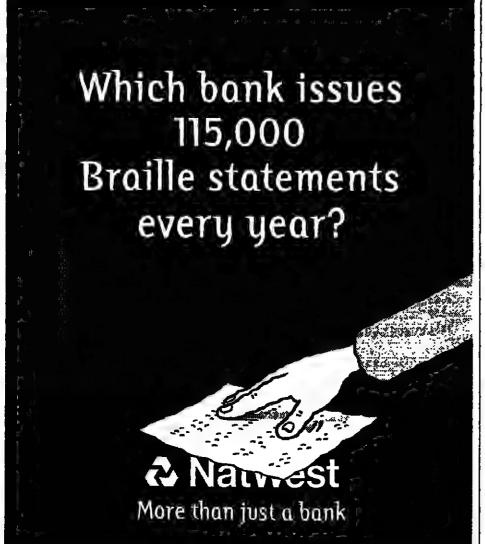
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Perry Cleveland-Peck succumbs to an urge to go kayaking, and finds himself up the desert with a canoe

Paddling through Mongolia

rom time to time. I find myself flushed with the urge to go boating. Usually. I pop down to the Thames at Hammersmith but, when it comes to kayaking, where better to start than the Gobi Desert? I was in Mongolia to report on the Carnel Trophy this year - a 20-day Land Rover expedition across extreme country - but the organisers have decided that there is more to life than motoring. So, when I met Karen McDonald, half of the United Kingdom team, her first task was to school me in the delights of two-person kayaking.

You want to get it as upright as possible and then it's all in the wrist action," McDonald said as she sat behind me in the kayak on the edge of Taats Lake in the Gobi Desert. "So I've been told," I thought, but bit my tongue: McDonaid, who is 30 and a firefighter by trade, is not one to be messed about on the river, especially when the talk is of paddle technique. "The object," she said. "is to get all of the blade moving through the water as



close to the boat as possible in order to maximise your energy. Don't just use the muscles in your arms — use all your upper body."
We pushed off from the bank

and made our way towards the centre of the lake, McDonald desperately trying to keep in time with my flailing strokes. Apart from the splash of our paddle blades, there was silence as we cut through the water. We were Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry

The Perception Kiwi 2 kayaks used on the Camel Trophy are 391cm long by 83cm wide and made from a tough Polyethylene. They are built for durability rather than manoeuvrability, featuring an adjustable bow seat. backrest and foot pedals to allow for solo paddling. Over the top of the boar goes a nylon spray deck

In the case of the Kiwi 2, the spray deck is a two-in-one design. joined in the middle by Velcra. allowing paddlers to separate in case of emergency. The paddles have asymmetric blades and are made from glassfibre on an alloy shaft. The entire kit costs nearly

More advanced kayakers could do worse than buy the Pryjon Fly. which is a single-seater highly manoeuvrable boat, 200cm long, raised - and with all the volume

- at the front and low at the back like a surfboard. A new type of kayaking, becoming increasingly popular in the United Kingdom. playboaring, which employs stunt kayaks such as the Fly to perform tricks on the water.

syaking dress code stipulates that a helmet is essential, as is a buoyancy aid. In Mongolia, where the water is sometimes frozen, a dry suit is also vital — if you fall in Lake Hovsgol, one of the Camel Trocompetition sites. kilometres south of the Siberian border, and are not wearing one. you have four minutes to survive. The kit that the team members are wearing is a semi-dry pair of rrousers and a dry top made by Palm. They also wear Neoprene (wetsuit material) gloves and boots to keep the cold out; but back to McDonald and me in the

"Whatever you do, don't cap-

to the shore and tow the boat and paddles with us. she said, as we tried to execute a turn. The only way of righting a capsized boat in the water is with the help of at least one other kayak, preferably two. You put the upturned boat

across the centre of the second kayak and empty the water out. Then, you turn it over and slide it back into the lake. Getting in again is a nightmare and I hore her advice

Turning a two-person kayak involves a rween both occupants. While the person at from a position at right angles to him towards the rear of the boat a stroke known as the "sweep". This pivots the centre of the boat and the bow turns. It sounds complicated, but, with practice, it

Of course, the sort

of water that McDonald has been coping The deep with out here puts my delusions of Mark water can Twain to shame: eight be easily two trelatively easy. the grading system

Contestants in the Camel Trophy Mongolia competition gasp for their breath. Fitness and the correct equipment are vital

learn to read the water that they are paddling on. Eddies - flows of water in a different direction from the main body because of an obstacle, such as a rock -- can be used to turn a boat and even hold it against the current of the river. Deeper water flows faster and can be recognised by its colour, always darker than the surround-

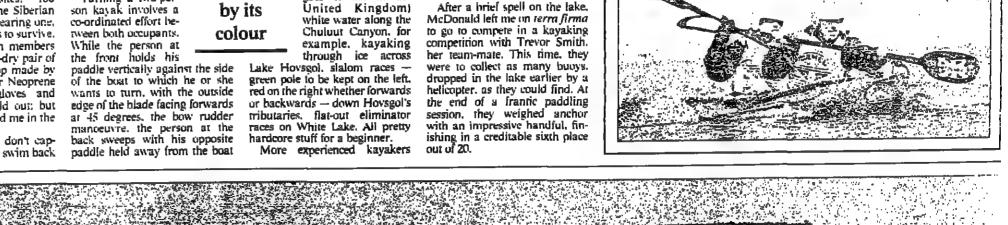
ing water. Water on the outside edge of a bend in the river flows faster than the water on the inside edge, so when racing, in contrast to motor cars, it is quicker to take the outside line.

HOW TO DIP YOUR OAR IN THE WATER

TREVOR SMITH (below, at front), the second half of the United Kingdom team in the Camel Trophy, has been kayaking in Great Britain for five years. "It is a great way of keeping your upper hody toned." Smith said, "especially your stomach muscles, your triceps and, to a lesser extent, the muscles in your chest. Joining a club is the best way to get started. It is safer and you can learn from the experience of people who have been doing it for years."

There are around 200 kayaking and canoeing clubs throughout Britain. They offer discounts on kayaking equipment and can introduce you to the best places to practise the sport. The British Canoe Union will provide you with details of your nearest club. British Canoe Union, 01159-821 100







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CEBU, Philippines: World Boxing Council super-flyweight champlonship: G Pens-losa (Phit holder) bit Lee Seung-Koo (S Kor) ko 9th

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(RUDEN BAY: British women's emalteur championship: Semi-Brists; M McCay (Tumbeny) of M Alsoguen (Fr) 2 and 1, A Rose (Stiring) bt B Morgan (Mommouth) 2 and 1 Rinat: Rosa bt McKay 4 and 3

ROTTERDAM: Rabebank four nations' trophy: South Africa 2 Pakistan 5, Holland 5 England 0: England 2 South Africa 2: Holland 4 Palastan 0.

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DONINGTON PARK: Auto Trader RAC touring car champlonship: Beventh round (25 Japs, 48 93 miles): 1, F Biele (Ger, Auch A4) 33min 27 9825ec, 2, A Menu (Switz, Renouth Lagune) at 0.977sec; 3, J

MOTOR RACING

(GBP, AUGH AH) 35 MIN 27 98:385; (Switz, Renault Laguna) at 0.97 Britclifte (GB, Auch A4) 2.782; (GB, Renault Laguna) 7 189; 5 (Swit, Volvo S40) 8 953s Twellfs inps. 50 96 miles). 1, Me 13,11588;; 2, Hisrvey, at 2,017s;

RIFLE SHOOTING

BISLEY: NRA inter-counties meeting: R Jarvis Trophy (300yds ndwidual): 1, P Chance (Surrey) 75 15/25.4pts; 2, G Carey, (Devon) 75, 15/24 3, 3, J Beltinger (Surrey, 75.4, L3-Col H Jones Memorial Trophy

HOCKEY

German Cup: V18 Cotibus () (in Berlin)

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COPA AMERICA: Group A: Argentina 2 Chile 0: Ecuador 2 Peraguay 0 (both in Cochabamba, Bolivia) Group C: Brazil 5 Costa Rica 0: Mexico 2 Colombia 1 (both in Sente Cruz, Bolivia).

SYERSTON: National 15m Champlon-ships: Final day (147km in no completions of 49): 1, E. Lycakowski (Ventus 2) 131 7km, 350pts; 2, P. Jeffery (158) 1302, 344; 3 squal, N. Howes (ASW20) and M. Forman (LST) 1047, 241 Leading final overall positions; 1, kay 2,40pts, 2, Jones 2,444, 3, D. Watt (LSE) 2,388

ATHLETICS | According 46,48 B 1, S Baldock 46 22 2 0 | Dearman 47 06: 3, N Budden 47 44, 4 C | Archer 47 44, 800m: 1, Gu Tahn (Fr) 1mm 20 08ecc. 3, E | Kmg. 1,52 65: 5, A | Domaldson 1,52 96: 1,500m: 1, N Caddy 344 02: 5, B | Smrth 362 73, 3,000m statistic chase; 1, V is Daugham (Fr) 8,36 65: 44 form of 8°5 61: 6, K Mach 97,40 1 10m hardest; 1, J Crewn (Ger) 13 70ecc; 2, R Basile 14,18,4, S McAres 162 400m hardest; 1, V is Daugham (Fr) 500: 2, C | Adam-Roberts 31 70; 4, M Douglas 52, 85 4 100m make; 1 | Great Britain 3mm 77 049ec; 1 | Great Brita 1. N Aahan (Bel) 1mm 44 98sec: 2. N Motchebon (Gel) 145 33, 3. R Charr (Nen) 145 34 1.600m: 1. D Maacouz (Mor) 3 35 26, 2. W Tanul (Ken) 3.35 35, 3. N Mayock (GB) 3:35 94, 5,000m: 1. H Gebratelassee (EM) 12:34 56; 2. M Nabarul (Ken) 13:30, 3. T Nyerid (Ken) 13:35 22, 2. T Tanul (Ken) 13:40; 3. C Jackson (JB) 13:40, 400m hundles: 1, 5 Mattee (Zam) 48:35; 2. S Dasgarta (F) 48:61; 3, M Dolemdorf (Bel) 49:56 Triple jump: C Fnedek (Gen) 16:56m Discus: L Hacel 83:34 Javelins: B Henry (Ger) 13:40; 3. C Jackson (JB) 13:40; 3. T Jackson 10:50; 3. J Pagel 17:40 Women: 100m: E Olokolo (Nopas) 11:20:66; 300m: 1, L Formanovi (C2) 1:58 70; 2. L Gunna (Russ) 1:56:27; 3. L Vitesde (Sun) 1:59:67; 1,500m: 1, H Shurs (Eh) 4:05:22; 2. S G Sullivan (fire) 4:08:35; 3. P Padoliffe (JB) 4:06;33:400m hundles: 1, N Bidouane (Mor) 16:45:66; 2. S Riloger (Ger) 54:63; 3. S Gunnall (JB) 55:37 High lump: 1, H Haugland (Mor) 19:47; 2. C Ajumna (Negena) 6:70; 3. D Lewis (GB) 6:7; 8hot: A Kurrbamuss (Ger) 20:53; 3. P Not: A Kurrbamuss (Ger) 20:53; 3. P Not: A Kurrbamuss (Ger) 20:53; 3. P Not: A Kurrbamuss (Ger) 20:54; 3. S Riloger (Jackson 10:45); Track and field HENDAM: Under-20 International (immers and Brash), Merc. 100m; At 1, J Golding 10 56sec; 5, J Henthorn 10 59, B; 1, E. Marin (Gor) 10 62, 2, A Walcott 10 85 200m; 1, D Money 20 92, 2, M Devorud; 20 37, 400m. A; 1, J Descon 46.25; 2 H

CLUB CRICKET

Vickerstown 153-9 Furnese 154-2; Barrow 238-4 Havengg 134-5, Pennth 200 Workington 112; Ulverston 55 Lindal 32; Vickers Sports 104 Carliste 108-0; Askarin 48 Whitehaven 50-4.

NORTH STAFFS AND SOUTH CHESHIFE LEAGUE: Crewe 181-4 Ashcombe Park 181-7, Bionell End 108 Leek 112-8; Blworth 167 Cheside 52-3; Audiey 150-8 Knypersley 105-3. Stafford 125-8 Newcastlo and H 84-5.

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EYE SUPREY CHAMPIONSHIP Bank of England 214-9dec Sunbury 218-4, Banasead 242-4dec Cheam 197-8, Esher 210-7dec Ashlord (Middlesex) 165-7, Limpehald 144 Famham 145-1, Homor Osk 226-9dec Surion 186-7, Maoir 237-8dec Malden Wandorots 238-8; Old Emenual

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CYCLING

DAUPHINE LIBERÉ: Pith stage (Cavellion to Doyle-les-Barra, 208-m); 1, J. Hoppmer (Ger. Telschorn) 4th Grain 17ser; 2, J. Pascuel (Sp. Keime) at Staac; 3, C. Moreau (Fr. Festma) at time 14ser; 4, C. Vlasseur (Fr. GAN); 9, E Dekker (Hod. Rabobarid; 6, C. Henn (Ger. Telscorn) 7, G. Rice (Fr. GAN); 8, F. Bimon (Fr. GAN); 9, V Yestmov (Russ. US Postal); 10, A. Olano (Sp. Banesto) all same time. Skith stage (Organ-les-bains to Briampon, 187-m); 1, Olano Shr Grain 27sec; 2, U. Botta (Ger. Telscorn) at 1sec; 3, J.C. Roben (Fr. US Postal) at 5; 4, M. Boogerd (Hod. Rabobarid) 9, 5, M. Baitran (Sp. Banesto) 7min Otisec, 7, S. Blanco (Sp. Banesto) 137; 8, M. Zarabette (Sp. CNCE) 141; 9, C. Rivero (Fr. Cotist) 220; 10, Simon 221. Seventh stage: 1, A. Teterluk (Kaz. Lofto) 4th 35min Sec; 2, D. Robella (II. Françuse des Jauga at 43eer; 3, Simon; 4, Robin; 5, Bohe all serms tyne; 6, Afonsau at 1min 35sec; 7, Boogerd same time; 8, G. Totschrog (Austins, Telskorn) 1:37; 9, R. Virenque (Fr. Festina) 1,39; 10, Olano 2:05 Leading final overall positions; 1, Boits 30tr 49min 58ec; 2, Olano at 12sec; 3, Robin at 1min 45sec; 4, Boogsat 2:00; 5, Tetamak 419; 6, Simon 4;12; 7, Moreau 417; 8, Yelemov 6:03; 9, Zarabesis 6:26; 10, Baitran 7:56.
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TOUR OF THE APPENNINE (208km): 1, P Tontov (Russ) Str. 18mm 54sec. 2, D Nardello (III al 11sec. 3, M Podenzana (II) at 13, 4, F Casagrande (II) 19; 6, O Pozz, (II)

OTHER ROAD RACE: Bournemouth Arrow CC (Lytchett Matravers, 72 miles): 1, R Homer (Team 120/80) 2hr 54/mm 45460; 2, J Sarettine (Trunstati Wheelers) W 25mc; 3, G Sardy 12h 20mc; 3, G

CAIRO: International tournament: Men. Quarter-finals: A Barada (Egypt) bt R Eyles (Aus) 11-15, 15-8, 15-12, 15-9; P Nicol (Sout) bt D Harris (Eng) 15-10, 15-4, 64 Woman: Quarter-finals: S FizzGerald (Aus) bt S Homer (Eng) 9-1, 9-4, 9-3; C Owens (Aus) bt C Jecterran (Eng) 9-0, 9-2, 9-1 SWIMMING

GLASGOW: Scottish chempionships: Fire GL/SGOW: Scottish chempronships: Finday: Winners: Men: 40m freestyle: G Smith (GB squad) 3min 57 44se: 100m backstroke: N Wiley (GB squad) 57 04se. 100m breeststroke: R Maden (GB squad) 29 18se. 200m butterfly: J Hcdman (GB squad) 1min 59 59se. 4 x 100m freestyle relay: Edinburgh 3mn 33 98se. Women: 400m freestyle: V Homer (GB squad) 4mn 17 38se. 100m backstroke: S Proc (GB squad) 1min 04 16sec 50m breeststroke: B Roberston (Abardeen) 33.53sec 200m butterfly: T Davies (Coverby) 2mn 19.31sec. 4 x 100m freestyle freestyle: Finder 4mn 05 56sec

TENNIS OUEBN'S CLUB: Stella Artola tour-nament: Singles: Semi-finalet: M Phil-opouses: (Aus) br J Bjorkman (Swe) 2-6. 7-6, 6-2, 6 hamisswic (Cro) bi G Rusedski (GB) 4-8, 6-4, 7-6 Final. Philippoussis Australia: 3 hamisswic 7-5, 6-3 Doubles: Semi-finale: 3

Gaudenzi (N) 3-6, 6-3, 6-3 Sermi-finale; Kuarten (Br) ti M Marrelli (N) 6-1, 6-2, Mantille bi Alami 6-3, 6-2 Final: Marrilla bi Kuerten 4-6, 6-2, 6-1 Han's tournament: Semi-finals: Y Kalehnhov (Russ) bi B Becker (Ger) 6-3, 6-4, P Funal: (C2) bi P Haarinus (Holl) 7-6, 6-4 Final: Valehnhov bi Korda 7-6, 6-7, 7-8 EDGGASTON: DFS women's Classic: Cusarter-Final: I Spiries (Rom) bi O van Robel (Bel) 6-4, 6-4 Semi-finals: N Tausail (Fr) bit V. Kunde (Aus) 6-4, 6-4; Y Basuki (Indo) bi Spiries 7-6, 6-1

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Jenks v Dickinson (laspector of Taxes)

Before Mr Justice Neuberger [Judgment May 7]

MONDAY JUNE 16 1997

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MAY RACES

The natural meaning of a deeming provision in the capital gains tax legislation that gave rise to an undoubted anomaly, fairly identi-fied as an injustice, could be discarded in favour of an alternative construction that avoided

Thus section 139(1) of the Finance Act 1989 was not to be construed in the circumstances as having the result that a capital gain enjoyed by a taxpayer on disposing of shares was to be treated as not giving rise to a charge to tax.

Mr Justice Neuberger so held in a reserved judgment in the Chan-cery Division when dismissing an appeal by the taxpayer. Mr Mau-rice Jenks, from the determination of a special commissioner that had upheld in principle assessments to capital gains tax for the year 1986-87 of £478.110, for 1991-92 of £41.710 and for 1992-93 of £2,480. Section 139 of the 1989 Act

amended section 64. In Chapter III of Part II, of the Finance Act 1984, exemption from capital gains tax for qualifying corporate bonds, by providing: "(1) In relation to disposals on or after March 14, 1989 Chapter III of Part II of the Finance Act 1984 shall have effect subject to the following provisions of this section (and, in relation to such disposals, those provisions shall be regarded as always having had effect).

(2) In subsection (2) of section 04 twhich defines 'corporate bond' . . .

paragraph (a) shall be omitted.

Mr Christopher McCall, QC.
instructed by K. Richards & Co. accountants, for the taxpayer; Mr

Michael Furness for the Crown. MR JUSTICE NEUBURGER said that in 1974 the taxpayer had acquired \$40,000 El shares in Paterson Jenks Ltd. In June 1984 an investment company took over Paterson Jenks, the taxpayer receiving unsecured loan stock, the loan notes, in exchange for his shares. Between 1984 and 1987 the taxpayer disposed of some of the

In January 1987 the taxpayer exchanged the balance of his luan notes for non-voting shares in the investment company in the context of a share reorganisation. Thereafter in 1991-92 the taxpayer dis-posed of some of the non-voting stock. The question that arose was how his liability to capital gains tax in respect of those disposals was to be assessed.

loan notes, but nothing turned on

Two exceptions to the general scheme of the tax were relevant.
First, certain types of asset were treated as being outside the ambit of the tax; in particular by section 67(I) of the Finance Act 1979 Act gilt-edged securities. Second, certain types of trans-

scrion, the most common type being a share reorganisation or takeover, were not treated as disposals, the new asset being treated as the same as the old: section 78 of the 1979 Act By section 64 of the Finance Act

1984 the exemption accorded to gilt-edged securities was extended to bonds issued by companies

provided that certain requirements were satisfied. Schedule 13 to that Act was enacted to deal with injustices and inconsistencies from the interrelationship of section 78 of the 1979 Act and the new section

of the 1977 Act and the new Section (39(2) of the 1989 Act widened the class of bonds which would constitute qualifying corporate bonds by deleting one of the section 64 requirements. At the times of the 1984 and 1987 exchanges the loan notes were not qualifying corporate bonds, not satisfying the section 64 require-

ments. However, the loan notes would have been qualifying bonds with effect from March 14, 1989, because of section 139(2). The taxpayer contended that on the proper construction of section 139(i) and on the application of the legislation when analysed, any capital gain which the taxpayer

actually enjoyed on the shares between March 1982 (see section 46

of the Finance Act 1988) and June 25, 1984, was not to be treated as a chargeable gain and would not therefore be chargeable to tax. Mr McCall accepted that that was an anomaly. It contradicted the evident purpose of the statutory provisions, namely, that capital gains made on qualifying cor-porate bonds should be exempt from tax, whereas capital gains

In such circumstances principle common sense and authority titled, and indeed bound, to discard the ordinary meaning . . . and adopt some other possible mean-ing ... which will produce a

made on shares should be subject

reasonable result": see Luke v IRC ([1963] AC 557, 579-580).

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The contention advanced by the Crown, which had not been submitted to the commissioner. involved qualifying the second, retrospective part of section 139(1). which Mr Furness described as a

deeming provision.

He contended that the deeming provision could not operate if its consequence was hypothetically to create a disposal before March 14, 1989, when no disposal in fact occurred, and then to apply the first part of section 139(1).

Mr Furness was correct. Section retrospective assumptions as to how earlier transactions were to be

The observations of Mr Justice Peter Gibson in the Court of Appeal in Murshall v Kerr, approved by Lord Browne-Wilkinson (1995) 1 AC 148, 164), indicated that, when considering the extent to which one could do some violence to the words and whether one could discard the ordinary meaning, one could, indeed one should, take into account the fact that one was construing a deeming

That was not to say that normal principles of construction some-how ceased to apply. It was more that, by its very nature, a deeming provision involved artificial assumptions, it would frequently be unrealistic to expect the legislature to be able satisfactorily to prescribe the precise limit to the circumstances in which, the artificial assumptions were to be made.

laid down in cases such as Manein v IRC (1971) AC 739) and Luke v IRC ([1963] AC 557) applied equally to a deeming provision it was, at least in some circumstances, rather easier to identify a limitation to the ambit of a deeming provision than it was to a provision

which was not a deeming

The Crown's construction of section 139(I) was the proper interpretation. It avoided the major anomaly produced by the

taxpayer's construction.

It had the merits of (i) being able to be expressed with precision, (ii) of cutting down the general words of a deeming provision where failure to do so would lead to injustice, (iii) preventing a deeming provision turning into a disposal, which would have given rise to a crystallised chargeable gain, a past transaction which was specifi-cally provided not to be a disposal and which gave rise to no crystallised chargeable gain at the time it occurred, and (iv) invoking the first part of section 139(1) as the contextual basis for cutting down the apparently general words of

Moreover, that construction was consistent with the evident trurpose of section 64 of, and Schedule 13 to the 1984 Act and with that of section 1.39(1).

For those reasons, albeit somewhat different from those relied on by the commissioner, the appeal

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Alteration destroys effect of mutual wills

In re Hobley, deceased Before Mr Charles Aldous, QC Budgment May 23]

If testators had made mutual wills but the first testator died having made a minor but not insignificant testator was not bound by the agreement but could leave the entire estate uninhibited by the terms of the mutual wills.

Mr Charles Aldous, QC, sitting as a deputy High Court judge so held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division on an originating summons issued by the Natlonal Westminster Bank pic, executor of the will of Anne Hobley deceased, against Anne Twentyman, representing all those interested under a 1975 will the original legatees; Dr Gerald Taylor and Mary Holden, representing all those interested under a 1992 will; the charities, and Roderick James Blythe, who had been devised No 65 Russel Terrace, Learnigton Spa under the 1975 will

compromised his claim. Mr Simon Taube for the executor, bank; Mr Charles Gratwicke for the original legatees; Mr Vivian Chapman for the charities.

HIS LORDSHIP said that on December 4, 1975 Mr and Mrs Hobley executed mutual wills each in favour of the other if surviving with substitutionary gifts to com-mon beneficiaries. No 65 was devised to Mr Blyth and there were II pecuniary legatees eight of which were entitled to the residue rateably according to the amount

Some time later Mr Hobley executed a codicil to his will revoking the devise of No 65 to Mr Blythe and left it as part of the residuary estate. There was no vidence as to the reason for that change or whether Mrs Hobley knew of or consented to it.

On Mr Hobley's death on January 13, 1980 Mrs Hobley inherited the entire estate including No 65. On March 13, 1992 Mrs Hobley executed a Will Which was substantially different to the 1975 will and left the residue to charity. She died

on May 23, 1993.

There was no doubt that the wills had been valid mutual wills. If Mr Hobley had died leaving a will in conformity with the agree-ment the court would intervene and impose a trust on the survivor, Mrs Hobley's estate, to prevent her revoking her 1975 will in breach of terms of the will of the first testator the agreement.

The constructive trusts arose immediately on Mr Hobley's death and then only if his testamentary dispositions conformed to the agreement. Revocation by the first testator released the survivor. How significant did the alteration of the will have to be for the survivor to be released? Mr Gratwicke submitted that

Mr Hobley's execution of the codicil did not amount to a fundamental breach of the 1975 agreement such as to entitle Mrs Hobley to treat herself as discharged. He relied on Hong Kong Fir Shipping Co Ltd v Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha Ltd (1962) 2 QB 26).

However, the principles on which the court acted in imposing a constructive trust in favour of third party beneficiaries to give effect to an agreement to make and not revoke mutual wills were not precisely the same as applied to contractual disputes: see in re Dale, deceased ([1994] Ch 310, 389).

Almost always both parties would be dead by the time the case came to trial. The court could not start evaluating the significance to the parties of any alteration in the nor their subjective intentions.

For example, a change in a bequest which might be thought to be insignificant to one might have real sentimental value to the other. A change in a bequest even though very small, might cause offence to the survivor. Moreover, it could not matter

that the alteration did not personally disadvantage the survivor, nor that the altered gift was to be met out of that testator's own assets. If provisions had been unilaterally altered the court could not embark on an exercise to assess the degree of unconscionability in the survivor not leaving his estate on the same terms, in deciding whether or not to impose a

constructive trust. Insuperable problems arose if one tried to apply the doctrine of mutual wills to cases where the first testator had unitaterally altered the terms of his will to any significant extent without the other party's consent.

The position could not be affected by whether subjectively the first testator thought he was revoking the agreement, by whether the other party would have consented,

nor by the fact that he or she took a benefit under the will.

estate, including even a sub-sequent inheritance, for however long he or she might survive. Making a will was a formal act.

His Lordship saw no particular objection to the doctrine being confined so as to require any alteration to the mutual wills to have been agreed to by the parties and, where it involved an alteration to both wills, to all the necessary formalities being carried through. With some hesitation he had come to the conclusion that because of the unilateral alterations made to the mutual will by Mr Hobley's codicil Mrs Hobley was no longer bound to leave her estate either on the terms of the 1975 will or the 1975 will and

that the changes to her will mostly affected her own relatives and might also in part have been due to some of the original legatees having died.

her last will dated March 13, 1992. Solicitors: Moore & Blatch, Lymington; Atkinson Ritson & Lightfoot, Carlisle; Preston &

Redman Bournemouth

The doctrine of mutual wills was sul generis. It bound the survivor's

> that it did so rely. He said there was no evidence

He was comforted by the fact Mr Higginson submitted that in

He accordingly directed that the bank held the estate on the terms of should be presumed.

In support of the first propo-sition Mr Higginson submitted that it would in many, perhaps

Partners jointly and severally liable

Nationwide Building Society v Lewis and Another

Before Mr Justice Rimer [Judgment May 23]

A person who signed advice proided by another was estopped from denying responsibility for it. Therefore where an employee in a firm was held out as a partner and a report written by him for a client was signed in the firm's name, the other partners were jointly and severally liable for any loss caused by neglignees in the report if the client had relied on it as advice given by the firm.

Mr Justice Rimer so held in a reserved judgment in the Chan-cery Division on preliminary is sues in an action brought Nationwide Building so against Bryan Lewis and Alyr Williams, formerly partners in the firm of Bryan Lewis & Co.

Mr Timothy Higginson for the building society; Mr Paul Parker for Mr Williams.

MR JUSTICE RIMER said that the building society brought an action against a firm of solicitors for alleged negligence in connection with a mortgage. The building society was not pursuing its claim against Mr Lewis, the first defeniant, who actually dealt with the loan transaction.

Mr Williams's name appeared on the irm's notepaper as a partner. Reviewing the facts and applying Stekel v Ellice (1973) 1 WLR 191, 199) his Lordship held that Mr Williams was not in fact an equity partner in the firm, jointly accountable for its liabilities, but that his name on the firm's notepaper gave the contrary impression and that he was held

Relying on section 14(1) of the Partnership Act 1890, In re Fraser ([1892] 2 QB 633, 637), Lynch v Stiff 1943 CLR 428, 435) and Hudge reates & Cov Watson (1978) 1 QB 451, 467, 470-471), Mr Parker submitted that the building society had failed to prove any reliance by it on the fact that Mr Williams was held out as a partner and that there was no basis for any presumption

out as a parimer.

that, when the building society instructed the firm in May 1991, ir was remotely influenced by or relied on the fact that Mr Williams was held out as a partner since there was no evidence that it then even knew of his existence. One of the essential ingredients of a holding out claim was therefore

the circumstances there was no need for the building society to prove that it placed reliance on Mr Williams's apparent status as a partner; alternatively, if rellance was a necessary ingredient, then it

most, cases be impossible to prove reliance; and, if it could not be shown, then claimants in positions similar to that of the building society would be without remedy against non-partners.

His Lordship did not find that a compelling submission. What it amounted to was that someone who was not a partner, but was held out as one, should be liable as a partner even to a claimant who placed no reliance on such holding out and who did not act on the faith of it. He saw no good reason why such a claimant should be entitled to a remedy actions. to a remedy against the nonpartner so held out.

Further, the suggestion that the need to show reliance in a holding out case could sometimes be dispensed with involved a fundamental rewriting of well established principles. His Lordship had no doubt that the court could not so rewrite them. He did not accept Mr Higginson's first

As to his second submission, he accepted that there would be circumstances in which it might be presumed that the claimant had acted on the faith of the holding out as a partner of someone who was not a partner. But there had to be a factual basis justifying such a

If Mr Parker was right that the only question was whether the building society placed reliance on Mr Williams's apparent status as a partner on May 8, 1991, then there was no factual basis for such a

presumption. In his Lordship's view, however, while May 8 was an important date, it was not the only important one. That was the beginning of the

relationship, not the end of it. The purpose of instructing the firm was to obtain advice from it as to the title to the property and as to whether the offered mortgage sec-urity was sufficient for the building society's purposes. That advice came back with the firm's letter of May 10 when it thanked the building society for its instructions and enclosed a favourable title

The letter was on the firm's

notepaper, showing the firm name Bryan Lewis & Cor with alongside it the two names "Bryan Lewis BA (Hons) Law" and "Alyn Williams BA (Econ) . The reference

erence given was "BL/AW/GMK/Chff 16334". which probably conveyed that the file was the responsibility of Mr Lewis and the letter was signed "Bryan Lewis & Co". In his Lordship's judgment,

however, that letter was not one by which Mr Lewis was acknowledge ing a personal retainer of himself alone in the matter, or was offering his personal opinion on title. It might well be that the report was exclusively his work and his Lord-ship was prepared so to assume.

But the letter was a response from what was apparently a twopartner firm, enclosing that firm's report on title. Correspondingly, when the huilding society received the letter, it was entitled to regard the enclosed report as being the advice of that two-partner firm. He found no difficulty in presuming in its favour that it relied on it as being a report which carried with it the implied imprimatur of both

If reliance of that sort was not precisely what Mr Lewis and Mr Williams intended by putting the latter's name on the notepaper his Lordship could not see why they It might be that any presump-

tion that the building society so relied on the title report was rebuttable and that it could be shown that it in fact relied on it only as being the advice of Mr Lewis. But Mr Williams had not attempted to show that.

One of the ways the building society put its case was, in effect, that the firm negligently failed to advise it of matters which materially qualified the advice contained in the title report.

It was ultimately of the essence of the building society's case that it relied on that report. In his Lordship's judgment Mr Williams was estopped from denying responsibility for it.

Solicitors: Mr D. Bolland; Reyn-

Witness entitled to his costs

J. H. Shannon v Country Casuals Holdings plc

A witness upon whom a subpoens duces tecum had been served was entitled to his costs incurred in complying with the subpoena and was not limited to receiving conduct money only. Such costs could include the

taking of legal advice, where it was reasonable to have done so Whether the costs would be payable on a standard or indem basis was a matter for the judge's

discretion. Any disupte about quantum could be settled in front of the taxing master.

Mr Justice Garland so held in the Queen's Bench Division on March 20 when granting an application by Morgan Grenfell & Co Ltd, the merchant bank retained to advise the defendant, for an order that the subpoena duces terum which had been served on them by the plaintiff should be set aside and that they be awarded the costs of complying with it.

Indignation insufficient to affect interests

Regina v Occupational Pensions Regulatory Authority and Another, Ex parte Littlewoods Pension Trust

Before Mr Justice Lightman [Judgment May 16]

The interests of the members of a 99(4)(a)(iii) of the Pension Schemes Act 1993 meant the interest which the members had as contributors to and recipients of benefits under the scheme. The interest had to be one which could be prejudiced by payment by a trustee and would ordinarily be financial but in quite

terest might be wider.
The financial interest of members was capable of being prejudiced by a payment which materially affected the size of the fund or any surplus in it. However, the members had no interest within section 99(4)(a)(iii) merely because the making of a payment by the trustees might occasion them righteous indignation.

Mr Justice Lightman, sitting as an additional judge of the Queen's Bench Division, so held refusing an application by the Littlewoods Pension Trust Ltd for judicial review of a decision of the Occupational Pensions Board, the predeessor in title to the Occupational Pensions Regulatory Authority. The board had refused the trustee's application for an extension of time r payment of a transfer value to Mr Prodip Sankar Guha under

Part IV of the 1993 Act. Mr Nigel Inglis-Jones, QC, for the trustee; Mr Mark Herbert, QC. for Mr Guha: Mr Peter Crampin QC, for the regulatory authority.

MR JUSTICE LIGHTMAN said that the board was obliged to comply with the request of Mr Guha for a cash equivalent to his entitlement under the scheme within 12 months of that request unless the board had power under section 99(4)(a)(iii) to extend the period. That section provided for an extension where the interests of the scheme members generally

complied with the particular

"Interest" in the context of section 99(4)(a)(iii) meant the interest which the members of the scheme had as contributors to and recipients of benefits under the scheme. The interest had to be one which could be prejudiced by a payment by the trustee. Such rest would ordinarily be financial, but in some circumstances quite exceptionally the interest

The financial interest of members could be prejudiced by a payment which materially affected the size of the fund or of any surplus in the fund. This fund was

in surplus. The members were not volunteers but purchasers who in return for their services to Littlewoods and their contributions had acquired their rights under the scheme and with them a legitimate expectation that some part of the surplus might be used to augment

But the members had no interes within the section in preventing the making of the payment merely because it might occasion them righteous indignation. Mr Guha had earned his right to an immedior innocence of allegations made determined. To occasion concern or displeasure among mem-bers was not to prejudice the iterests of those members.

The section provided a dis cretion to extend time only it prejudice to the members would otherwise be more than a real possibility: it had to be certain or

In this case a whole succession of conditions had to be satisfied to best a real possibility The trustee had failed to meet the criterion in section 99(4)(a)(iii) for an extension of time. The

sion was correct. Solicitors: Nabarro Nathanson; Evill & Coleman; Solicitor, Depart-ment of Social Security.

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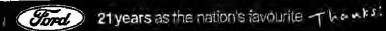
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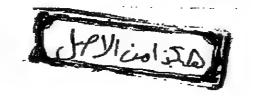


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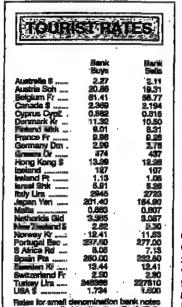
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BRITISH STEEL: Full-year figures out later today will reflect the ravages of a strong pound on the group's fortunes. As NatWest Securities, the broker, points out, during the past ten months sterling has appreciated by a quarter against the mark, taking the competitive edge off British Steel's performance when trading abroad. It will also offset any benefit that might have been gained from rising steel prices. NatWest expects a collapse in pre-tax profits from £1.1 billion to £465 million, with earnings down

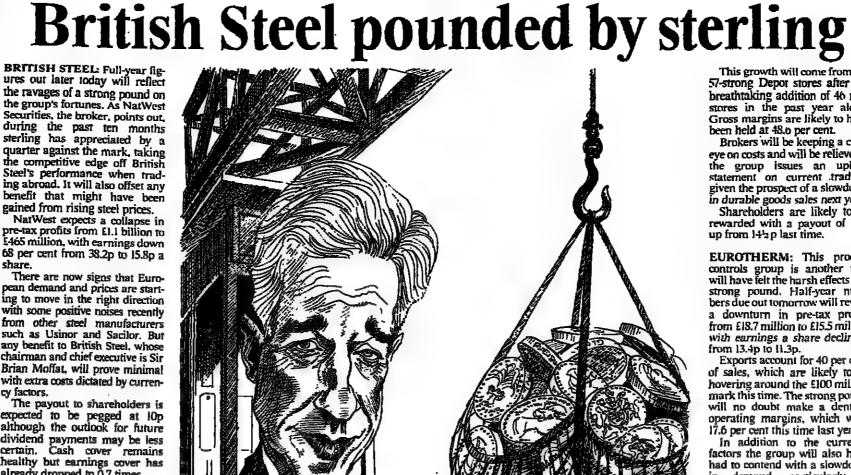
68 per cent from 38.2p to 15.8p a There are now signs that Euro-pean demand and prices are starting to move in the right direction with some positive noises recently from other steel manufacturers such as Usinor and Sacilor. But any benefit to British Steel, whose chairman and chief executive is Sir

cy factors, The payout to shareholders is expected to be pegged at 10p although the outlook for future dividend payments may be less certain. Cash cover remains healthy but earnings cover has already dropped to 0.7 times.

with extra costs dictated by curren-

THAMES WATER: It may have the worst record for leaks among the water companies but this should not detract from another solid performance when the group unveils full-year figures tomorrow. These should show pre-tax profits up almost 20 per cent at £385 million, with earnings 14 per cent ahead at 84.8p. It follows a better than expected performance at half time and will also reflect the absence of reorganisation costs, which last year reached £95 million. The figures are likely to include a provision of £12 million against the repurchase of convertible bonds. Like all the water companies that have reported so far, the event will be overshadowed by next month's Budget and the windfall tax.

SECURICOR: Half-year figures on Thursday are unlikely to contain much in the way of surprises after the group's profits warning in March. Headline pretax profits are expected to come in at £46 million, compared with £51.1 million for the corresponding period last year, with earnings a share down from 5.7p to 4.9p. The profits warning stem-



COMPANIES

The strong pound has proved a heavy load to bear for Sir Brian Moffat and British Steel

pre-tax profits of £35.5 million

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Earnings may be unchanged at

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More than 50 per cent of sales are taken up by the five big

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med from poor subscriber growth at Cellnet, the mobile phone operator, which it owns jointly with BT and which now provides the biggest percentage of profits. In addition, Intek, its 64 per cent-owned US radio network operation, is likely to have recorded a £7 million loss, reflecting high start-up costs.

The cellular market remains competitive and this, combined with the high cost of churning and migration, will result in a £3 million loss at Securicor Cellular Services.

A change in accounting policy will produce a first-half write-off of £18 million.

HAZLEWOOD FOODS: Growth continues, but modestly, Full-year figures tomorrow

should show further improvetives and rising raw materials ment. Brokers have pencilled in

MICHAEL CLARK

CARPETRIGHT: If anyone is looking for evidence of a slow-down in the carpet retailer's phenomenal growth rate when full-year figures are revealed tomorrow, they are likely to be confounded.

Carpetright is continuing to baffle the cynics. Pre-tax profits are expected to come in at £32 million compared with £24.7 million last time, an increase of 30 per cent. Earnings growth will upgrading its own brand label items. This will have reflected in be a little less spectacular, coming in at 27.7p, a rise of 24 per cent. This will be achieved on sales of higher volume growth. But there E252 million, up from £185.3 shadowing the group's perfor-mance. These range from tax million last time, with all the evidence pointing to a recovery after the pre-election hiccup. changes, EU packaging direc-

57-strong Depot stores after the breathtaking addition of 46 new stores in the past year alone. Gross margins are likely to have been held at 48.0 per cent.

Brokers will be keeping a close eye on costs and will be relieved if the group issues an upbeat statement on current trading. given the prospect of a slowdown in durable goods sales next year. Shareholders are likely to be rewarded with a payout of 19p, up from 1412p last time.

EUROTHERM: This process controls group is another that will have felt the harsh effects of a strong pound. Half-year numbers due out tomorrow will reveal a downturn in pre-tax profits from £18.7 million to £15.5 million with earnings a share declining from 13.4p to 11.3p.

Exports account for 40 per cent of sales, which are likely to be hovering around the £100 million mark this time. The strong pound will no doubt make a dent in operating margins, which were 17.6 per cent this time last year.

In addition to the currency factors the group will also have had to contend with a slowdown in demand, particularly in

Despite the shortfall in profitability the group will be loath to cut the dividend and brokers are anticipating an increase in the payout from 4p to 4.3p with a total of 9.6p pencilled in for the

COURTS: A bumper set of numbers are envisaged when full-year figures emerge on Thursday. Joan D'Olier at NatWest is looking for £25 million against £18.3 million last time, with earnings growing by a staggering 47 per cent from 14.7p to 21.6p.

Much of the growth can be

accounted for by an increasingly aggressive approach from the group itself. Marketing has intensified, more stores have been opened and the group has opted for centralised buying. The upturn in the housing market helped to produce a 30 per cent rise in like-for-like sales during the first half, although there was evidence of a slowdown in the run-up to Christmas. Five new stores were opened last year with a further seven this time round. A 17 per cent rise in payout from 3p to 3.52p is expected.

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Eyes turn to **Amsterdam**

The implications of the Amsterdam summit for the euro will provide early part of the week. Traders presume a fudge on employment that will satisfy the honour of the new French Government but change little. There will be some of the last statistics relevant to Gordon Brown's first Budget judgment on July 2, including a 1980s-style Norwich Union flotation today. and some signals for US interest rates.

A second relatively low UK public sector borrowing requirement at the start of the financial year. due tomorrow, would help. Analysts have little idea, judging from forecasts recorded by Standard & Poor's MMS survey, which range from £0.2 to £4.6 billion, but several leading houses go for between £2 billion and the median forecast of £3 billion.

The Chancellor will be under some pressure to tighten fiscal policy in any case. One key indicator is retail sales, for which May figures are due on Wednes-day. Again, forecasts vary strikingly, ranging from a month to month fall of 0.4 per cent to a rise of 0.5 per cent. S&P opts for the median 0.3 per cent rise, as does Yamaichi, HSBC goes for no change and Philip Shaw, in his last weekly forecast for Union, predicts a 0.2 per cent drop. No immediate windfall worries there.

Broad money growth has settled well above its old-style Treasury monitoring range. May growth of M4, due on Thursday, should bring no alarm. Forecasts cluster near the median 0.6 per cent, which would peg annual growth back from 10.4 to 9.8 per cent. That may be of interest to the Bank of England's monetary commis-sion, which will also be a target of any more CBI complaints about sterling in its monthly trends survey on Friday.

Meanwhile, markets will watch a clutch of American indicators for signs that the economy is slowing a little, the prerequisite to avoid another rate rise there. May industrial production, housing starts and consumer prices are all due tomorrow. Forecasters look for output growth of 0.2 to 0.3 per cent on the month. The trade deficit, due on Friday, is expected to have deteriorated to about \$10 billion.

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SUNDAY TIPS

The Sunday Times: Buy Vickers, MFI, Christian Salvesen, Hazlewood Foods, Chiroscience, Cadbury Schweppes, Quintain Estates. Hold Amersham. The Sunday Telegraph Buy Hanover Int'l. Caspian Group, Rank, Megalomedia. Sell MSB Int'l, Forminster. The Mail On Sunday Buy Calderburn, C&W. The Observer Buy Granada, McBride, Unigate, Northern Foods.

CHANGING TIMES

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Norwich Union plc Share Offer Allocations



Allocations of Norwich Union shares sold under the Members' Offer and Retail Offer have been made as shown below.

Members' Offer Price 265 p per share

Allocations in the Members' Offer

Assessment	Number of	Percentage
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£400	150	100%
£600	226	100%
£800	301	100%
£1,000	377	100%
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£2,000	585	78%
£2,500	600	64%
£3,000	615	54%
£4,000	640	42%
£5,000	680	36%
£10,000	830	22%
£15,000	980	17%
£20,000	1,130	15%
£30,000	1,430	13%
£40,000	1,730	11%
£50,000	2,030	11%
£60,000	2,330	10%
£70,000	2,630	10%
£80,000	2,930	10%
£90,000	3,230	10%
£100,000	3,540	9%

Public Offer Price (Retail Offer) 290 p per share

Allocations in the Retail Offer

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£1,000	344	100%
£1,500	517	100%
£2,000	535	78%
£2,500	548	64%
£3,000	562	54%
£4,000	584	42%
£5,000	621	36%
£10,000	758	22%
£15,000	895	17%
£20,000	1,032	15%
£30,000	1,306	13%
£40,000	1,580	11%
£50,000	1,855	11%
£60,000	2,129	10%
£70,000	2,403	10%
£80,000	2,677	10%
£90,000	2,951	10%
£100,000	3,234	_9%
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Norwich Union Share Account statements and share certificates together with return money cheques are expected to be despatched to applicants on Friday 20 June 1997. Applicants who deal before receipt of a share account statement or share certificate will do so at the risk of selling shares for which they have not received an allocation.

Global Co-ordinator

Dresdner Kleinwort Benson

has been issued by Norwich Union plc and appr

That would happen if EMU were aban-doned? Some fear that this could lead to an economic disaster for Europe. On the contrary, it could be a

blessing in disguise.
The most obvious danger is that countries that have been trying to squeeze themselves into the Maastricht corset would now feel free to let rip. So back would come freespending governments and big deficits, leading to increased inflation and high interest rates.

Moreover, according to EMU's proponents, the single currency is vital for the achievement of the single market. Indeed, without it. there is a risk of lurching into protectionism. Furthermore, given the obvious feeling of let-down following the euro's demise, there is the risk of a serious political crisis in Europe, which could threaten the EU itself.

Do these arguments hold water? The notion that without the Maastricht restraints the governments of Europe would be back to their bad old ways is yet another

Demise of the euro could bring salvation

example of euro-myopia. The plain truth is that there has been a worldwide revolution in economic policy. It is widely recognised that bloated public sectors inhibit growth, that large fiscal deficits are unsustainable, and that the financial markets will exact a heavy price from countries that step out of line. These truths would soon dawn on European countries no longer held in check by the lure

As to the threats to trade, it has always been a curiosity of the euro debate that proponents have attached such priority to having a single currency. There are ump-teen barriers to completely free and open trade within Europe, which have nothing whatever to do with currency variability. Meanwhile, outside Europe there is the glaring example of Canada and the United States, which have a flourishing trading relationship even though they operate different currencies. Protectionist policies within Europe would be not only idiotic but also illegal.

More strongly, the euro's de-mise could bring positive advantages. For decades, Europe's economic policies have been on the wrong track. Now the chickens are coming home to roost in the shape of obstinately high unemployment and low growth rates. The solution to euro-sclerosis is surely the adoption of more market-friendly policies and less regulation, espe-cially in the labour market. But the idea of closer European

integration has stood in the way. It has purportedly offered another solution to the awful problems presented by the now cutthroat world of international competition. No need to compete head-on with the thrusting economies of east Asia, Integration and harmonisation would increase eff-



iciency. So long as we were all marching in step, the direction would not matter that much. Veterans of the 1970s British car industry will recognise this as the British Leyland solution.

Supporting this farrage of nonsense has been the traditional French view of economic life as a sort of power struggle in which success (and material wellbeing) went to the stronger geo-political unit. Just make yourself big like the US and this would provide the key to success.

In other words, the euro is part of the problem, not the solution, Take it away and there would indeed be a period of chaos and confusion in European policymaking, but that may be all to the good. Each government would have to think afresh about the direction of economic policy. And it would only take one major country to change tack for extreme pres-sure to fall on the others.

Take exchange rates. The demise of the euro would probably put upward pressure on the mark. Germany would resist this with cuts in interest rates, transferring the burden of uncompetitiveness back to other European countries, including France. They would surely react by cutting interest rates, which would return the

problem to Germany. And so on and so forth. The result would be the emergence of very low interest rates, which would help to reflate

the European economy.
Similar processes would work with other policies. Without the incubus of integration and harmonisation, the drive to marketise and deregulate would intensify. Germany might well say: Right, now we really have to get our house in order. Never mind common European stan-dards, we are facing worldwide competition." But this would then put the pressure on France and Italy, and as they joined the fray this would gee up Germany still further. In this way, a programme of energising economic reform could be launched across the whole of Europe, even though it had not been co-ordinated or launched with a fanfare by some

euro-committee in Brussels.

There is nothing magical about this process. It merely represents competition in action. It has become abundantly clear that competition between businesses deligner the course. The last survival delivers the goods. The last surviv-ing big monopoly in our increasingly competitive societies is government's control of economic policy. But competition keeps govofter k-10-w0

ernments on their toes, too. In this country, Black Wednesday was regarded by politicians and officials as the greatest disaster to have befallen us in peacetime. It was followed by an immediate collapse in the confidence of consumers and business-men, at exactly the time their fortunes were about to pick up decisively. In fact, that period of chaos and confusion, brought on by the free-wheeling financial markets, rescued us from the dire mistakes of our political leaders and led directly to subsequent prosperity. It would be richly ironic if the demise of the euro, met by wailings and lamentations across the continent, proved to be Europe's salvation.

Sharp increase in number of women executives in UK

By Philip Bassett, Industrial Editor

WOMEN are markedly increasing their presence in the UK's executive ranks. Over the past four years the number of women managers has risen by as much as 60 per cent.

The findings of an Institute

of Management survey among managers also shows that women executives are closing the pay gap with their

The surge in women's presence in management, including in the boardroom, comes as some companies are appointing high-profile women to senior posts, such as Marjorie Scardino, chief executive of Pearson.

In its latest national man-

agement salary survey, covering 870 directors and almost 24,000 individual managers in about 500 different organisations, the institute says the number of female executives is rising faster now than at any time in the past three years.

The survey, carried out with Remuneration Economics, the pay specialist, says 15.2 per cent of all Britain's executives are now women. That com-pares with 12.3 per cent last year and 9.5 per cent in 1994. One in three marketing managers and one in two person-

nel managers are women. Only 4 per cent of managers in manufacturing, production, research and development,

purchasing and contracting are female. On average, fe-male managers are aged 37, have been with their organ-isations for II years and earn E31,550. Male managers aver-age 44, have been with their organisations for 17 years, and are paid an average of £35,761. Pay for women managers is 88

per cent of that of men.

Women are joining the board in unprecedented numbers, the survey shows They still make up only 4.5 per cent of directors, but this is up from 3.3 per cent last year, and 2.8 per cent in 1994.

Female directors, on average, are 40, compared with 48 for men. They earn an average £71,126, 77 per cent of their male colleagues' £91,957. Fernale directors have averaged eight years with their companies,

compared with 14 for men.

Although the pay gaps are still considerable, the institute says that the earnings gap is narrowing. Male managers' pay is up 6 per cent, but that of emale managers 7.4 per cent. At board level, earnings for women are up 9.2 per cent, compared with 7.8 per cent for male directors.

☐ A survey today by Dun & Bradstreet, the business information group, based on information from a database of nearly four million British executives, suggests that women are getting the best jobs at a younger age than male colleagues.

The survey shows that 29 per cent of directors running British business are women, and that 22 per cent of them are under the age of 37. In contrast, only 18 per cent of men are under the age of 37.

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Mike Blackburn's acceptance of the presidency of the Chartered Institute of Bankers is a sign of a changing CIB

Halifax chief to head bankers

By JASON NISSE

MIKE BLACKBURN, chief executive of the Halifax, is to be the next president of the Chartered Institute of Bankers (CIB), underlining the former building society's new status on the high street.

He will succeed Sir Brian Pitman, chairman of Lloyds TSB, as head of the banking industry association when Sir Brian's term of office ends next year. Mr

Blackburn will be the first president of the CIB not to come from a clearing bank. Halifax's £18 billion flotation earlier this month put it among the UK's banking elite, with a value in excess of that of Barclays.

The appointment also shows the changes that have taken place in the CIB under the guidance of Gavin Shreeve, former editor of The Banker, the industry trade magazine. The CIB is seeking a leading role in financial services education and qualifications, and has registered the brand name institute of Financial Services. It has also struck a deal with the University of Manchester to provide a vocational qualification.

The CLB sees the Chartered insurance Institute (CII) as its main competitor. The Cll tried to register the name. Financial Services Institute, but dropped the idea after a legal objection by its banking rival.

Abbey set to buy Cater Allen

Abbey National is poised to buy Cater Allen, the financial services group whose share price has risen from 441.5p to 550p this month after it admitted holding bid talks with an unnamed company.

Cater Allen has had to develop new activities away from its old role as a discount house. The Bank of England no longer gives discount houses the exclusive right to act as intermediaries in the money markets. Cater's activities now include banking. stockbroking and fund

management Abbey National said it would not comment on "market speculation" yesterday. But it is understood that Gareth Jones, head of Abbey National's treasury division. has been leading negotiations that could lead to a deal valuing Cater Allen at up to

Plea on jobs

The Government should set up a Department of Work to deliver its pledges on jobs. according to an examination of Labour's employment pro-gramme published today by the Institute for Public Policy Research. The study argues for the re-creation. though in a changed form, of the old Department of Employment, which the previous Government scrapped two years ago.



It's all very well to say share and share alike, but in all honesty wouldn't you prefer to enjoy at leisure your own copy of the Times Educational Supplement? The FE Focus section, in particular, really does deserve much more than a rushed flick through in the staffroom, 50 for opinions worth taking the time to listen to, buy your own copy, take it hame and keep it to yourself. REFOCUS

THE TIMES EDUCATIONAL SUPPLEMENT

Tring board faces vote

TRING International, the troubled budget music company, faces fresh controversy today when an extraordinary meeting of shareholders will decide whether to replace the board (Robert Miller writes). Mark Frey and Jay

Chernow, shareholders, have called for the meeting, to be held at the City offices of UBS.

WORD WATCHING

(b) A silicate of sodium, strontium, manganese, calcium as lanthanides. Found as light-brown orthorhombic crystals.

(a) A jar for cooling wines. From the Greek for "cold". Burch. Ancient Pottery. 1857: "The Psykter or cooler to prepare wine for

(a) and (c). Genial (pronounced geenial) means warm, cheering, sociable. But it originally meant nuptial, or to do with generation. The genial bed was the nuptial bed. Genial (pronounced gennial), however, means pertaining to the chin.

(b) The act of burning incense, or of filling a room with the fumes of burning incense. From the Latin thus, thuris, frankincense. Thuriferous means producing or carrying incense.

We regret that the answers to Saturday's game in the Weekend

SPONG: (c) A narrow strip of land. NOCKERL: (c) A small,

light dumpling made with a batter including eggs. usually fried. NOCK: (b) Part of a bow and arrow. A nock is one of the small

tips made of bone, fixed at each end of a bow and provided with a notch for holding the string. NUMINAL: (a) Divine, numinous. filled with the Roman sense of numen the sense of awe that fills

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Tring's broker, to propose the removal of four key directors and appoint three new ones. including Mr Frey.

The four executives are Joe Bollom, chairman, Philip Robinson, chief executive, Steve Porter, finance director and Robert Leigh, a non-executive director. Mr Robinson and Mr Frey are former school friends.

CHANGE ON WEEK

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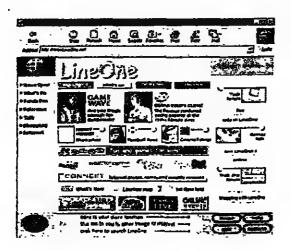
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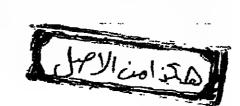
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. Tecs offer ideas on back-to-work policy

By PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

training and enterprise councils, which were heavily criticised by Labour in Opposition, believe they are securing a new role with the

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Government. Tec leaders are now closely involved in preparing policy documents on the Government's welfare-to-work programme - the centrepiece of Gordon Brown's first Budget

next month. Before the election, Labour said it would alter the governing bodies of Tecs and use some of their funding for other elements of its jobs programme. Privately, Labour leaders argued that with Business Links. Tecs and chambers of commerce all offering local services to business, there was duplication and over-provision

THE Alternative Investment

Market celebrates its second

anniversary on Thursday,

marking the event with a

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of nearly 300 companies.

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in 1995. Pessimists thought a

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the weakest link. Tecs have since lobbied for a role in the Government's New

Deal jobs programme, which aims to get 250,000 young people off benefit and into work, and to offer help to the long-term unemployed. Ministers have decided that

the employment service and organisations such as the Prince's Trust will be main delivery means, but Tec leaders believe ministers have now recognised the value of Tecs in getting the programme in place.

Senior Whitehall officials have asked Tecs to prepare ten separate policy documents on aspects of the welfare-to-work programme that are to be used in the final shaping of the Budget. They include proposals on the equal opportunity

BRITAIN'S business-led and that Tecs were likely to be aspects and planned action zones to boost jobs in areas of high unemployment. Tec leaders believe that the

large number of ministers who have now agreed to attend their annual conference in Birmingham next month underlines what they judge to be a more positive view of them by the Government. They include David Blunkett, the Employment and Education Secretary, and Margaret Becket, President of the Board

Nigel Chilcott, secretary of the Tec national council, is leaving, and the Tecs are to appoint new directors of operations and communications. ☐ A survey by the Industrial Society published today shows a 50 per cent fall in employer satisfaction with Tecs.



Thunder beat nine other yachts from the London insurance markets that took part in the 20-mile annual Sedgwick yacht rally race at Cowes at the weekend

ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT MARKET

Roll-call nears 300 two years on

bed of speculative stocks that would disappear as quickly

as they had arrived. That has not been the case. Of 299 companies that have joined AIM only three have lost their listing. Most AIM

companies are delivering exactly the progress expected. The 116 that have posted full-year results so far have shown an average increase in turnover of 22 per cent and an

average rise in profits of 42

per cent. Nor have the share prices disappointed. Over the past 12 months, six of the top ten performing UK equities have been AIM stocks.

If investors had celebrated AIM's first anniversary by buying shares in Westmount Energy, the best performing stock of the past 12 months: they would be sitting on a 417

That sort of performance

has given AlM a strong fan

base among private inves-tors, but the City still views the market with scepticism. Individual shareholders now make up to 70 per cent of business, according to Winterflood Securities, the only broking house that buys

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and sells every AIM stock. Institutions have been less active, bemoaning the difficulty of trading in million pound holdings. They like to invest in multiples of £500,000s, hard to

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the average company is valued at £20 million.

A recent survey of institutions found that many avoid AIM because it is "full of spivvy stocks", with some describing the quality of stocks as "appalling".

Sceptics point out that AIM has flourished in a bull market and has never been tested by a serious downturn. A glance at the FTSE AIM

index also paints a bleaker picture. It has underper-formed main market indices, but as a weighted index it is dictated by a handful of ALM's largest and most sluggish performers.

Private investors who back tiddlers early have few complaints, and the London Stock Exchange regards AlM as one of its greatest successes. But to many serious players in the City, it has much more growing to do before it warrants serious

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Beckett ready to reject Bass project

THERE is mounting specula- Domecq will achieve its desire tion that the Government will this week finally rule on the attempt by Bass to become Britain's biggest brewer by completing the takeover of Carlsberg-Tetley, and that the deal, one of the most delayed in British corporate history.

will finally fall apart. Margaret Beckett, Secretary of State for Trade, had been expected to give her ruling last week on the Monopolies and Mergers Commission (MMC) report into the deal, which has been on her desk since the

election.

The MMC is believed to have ruled that Bass would have to get rid of about half of its estate of tied and managed pubs in return for boosting its share of the brewing market to 35 per cent or more.

Bass has intimated that it might walk away from the deal if the terms are more onerous. The company has also been

saying privately that the purchase is now far less attractive because of the damage to Carlsberg-Tetley, while it has been becalmed with the competition authorities.

The link, for Bass to pay £200 million for Allied Domecq's half-stake and acquire the other half owned by Carlsberg, the Danish brewer, has been under negotiation since last spring and was agreed in August.

At the heart of the matter for Ms Beckett are the 2,500 job losses that could result from the merger. Were the deal to founder, some rationalisation is thought inevitable anyway. If Bass decides not to pro-

ceed with the purchase, Allied

to quit UK brewing, and the contract to supply beer to its pubs reverts to what the company calls close to nor-

mal commercial rates". Carlsberg would take over 85 per cent of the business, the remaining 15 per cent staying with Allied in return for a payment of £30 million to

Chiquita may bid for Fisher

By Sarah Cunningham

CHIQUITA, the US fresh produce company, is believed to be planning a bid for Albert Fisher, the food company that said last week it was in talks that could lead to a takeover.

Fisher made its announcement on Friday after an unexplained rise in its share price. The board, which has been struggling to turn round the company, is thought to be happy with the idea of seiling to Chiquita on the ground larger food concerns tend to be more successful. Chiquita is the world's

largest banana supplier. Speculation earlier had centred on Geest, Fyffes and Dole of America as potential bidders. How-ever, a formal bid by Chiquita could come as early as this week.

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Motorist looks the winner in battle of the forecourts

Petrol inquiries may fail to aid small retailer,

writes Carl Mortished

The independent petrol retailer is on the way out. Fifteen hundred shut last year and small business lobbyists are clamouring for action. With the arrival of a new government, they seem finally to have found their champion in the unlikely guise of Nigel Grif-fiths, Consumer Affairs Minister. He wants an investigation into the aggressive cutting of fuel prices by supermarkets and Esso, whose Pricewatch strategy is largely blamed for the turmoil and the closures.

Odd to find the consumer's champion berating the pricecutters. Last week, John Bridgeman. Director-General of Fair Trading, issued a somewhat sarcastic announcement confirming that the Office of Fair Trading was investigating petrol retailing, and saying: "I am encouraged that Nigel Griffiths has recognised

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The Government and the Office of Fair Trading are both looking at the intense competition in prices at the petrol pump

that this is an important market - the OFT review has been under way since early

The trouble is that no one really cares about independent dealers, and the OFT, which investigated this market five

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years ago and looked into Pricewatch last year, has so far found nothing wrong. The allegation is that Esso is engaged in predatory pricing, a claim that the American oil company denies and one that the OFT finds difficult to stand

The OFT has a formal definition of predatory pricing: deliberate acceptance of losses in a particular market in order to eliminate a specific competitor so that supranormal profits can be earned in the future. However, in the case of petrol prices, the watchdog sees nothing more unpleasant than heavyweights slugging it out. An OFT spokesman said: "Our feeling has always been that this is a battle between big oil companies and the supermarkets in which the consum-

While the consumer has benefited, the industry has suffered. Esso is reckoned to have sacrificed £200 million last year in its commitment to match the lowest competing petrol price, although it has never confirmed this. BP admitted that the price war cost it E85 million, and industry watchers reckon that, overall, £1 billion has been given to the consumer in price cuts. Why should the OFT intervene?

er has benefited."

Independent petrol retailers reckon that the big oil companies have a different agenda dealer networks, which, traditionally, have been the price discounters. With them out of the way, the oil majors and the supermarkets can carve up the market and raise prices. There is some logic in this view, and some evidence to suggest that it is happening. Statistics from the Institute of Petroleum show that the total of petrol sites in the UK has declined from 20,641 in 1986 to 14,748 last year, but, curiously, the number of company-owned sites has remained almost static at 6,400. The entire decline is in dealers who own and manage their sites. They buy branded petrol from a big oil company but cannot survive on selling it at such slim margins.

The decline will continue. James Frost, chairman of Save Group, expects another 1,500 dealers to bite the dust this year. Steven Brooks, of Wood MacKenzie, the oil consultancy, claims that average gross margins this year have been 4p to 5p a litre. He says: "For most sites you need 6p to 7p a litre; merely to break even, you need over 5p a litre."

Supermarkets can make money on such slim margins by selling II million litres a year with almost no overheads, using the car park as a forecourt. The average independent petrol station may sell fewer than 2 million litres and must cover the mortgage and

or the Government, which has a declared preference for public transport, the issue is whether it wants motorists to benefit from cheap petrol. Car users are likely to face higher taxes in the Budget as part of a policy to reduce traffic congestion. However, although policy is likely to make motoring more expensive, economic pressures in a commodity market are helping to keep costs down. Some analysts think that we are heading rapidly towards the French model, in an 40 per cent of petrol is sold by hypermarkets at low prices. In the UK, grocers still have only 18 per

cent of the market. Mike Dennis, analyst with NatWest Markets, forecasts fewer petrol brands, more competition and lower prices. "The future of petrol retailing is about selling the next product - a car wash, sweets, food, newspapers," he said. Hence, the oil companies' quest for retailing expertise, as in BP's joint venture with Saleway.

An industry suffering such severe price deflation ought to be consolidating. So, where are the mergers and take-

overs? BP and Mobil seized the initiative last year, combining their refining and marketing business in Europe, but little has followed that venture. An attempt to forge Gulf, Elf and Murco in the UK has collapsed, probably over disagreement over the value of each partner's stake.

The problem in most cases is refining. Europe has a huge petrol surplus, which hurts the big oil companies that produce the commodity but helps the supermarkets to obtain huge volumes of unleaded petrol at good prices. The survival of independent petrol retailers has been due to their ability to source cheap tankerloads of petrol from Rotterdam. Logically, the major oil companies should reduce their refining capacity, enabling them to make more money from refining and narrow the supply options for their competitors Mr Dennis says: "The only way I can see margins improving is if the number of refiners

is reduced in Europe." A Gulf/Elf/Murco venture would have knocked out one refiner, but the complexities of the deal were evidently too great. Since then, Gulf Oil has put its UK downstream business up for sale. It is unlikely to find a buyer for the refinery. but a sale of the retailing chain might defray the cost of closine the plant. The single mos important reason for excess refining capacity is the bill for shutting an old site. Clean-up costs and the continuing envi ronmental liability exceed the loss from running a refinery.

Consolidation will come: bidders are sniffing at Save Group; Elf. Repsol and Q8 are unlikely to see a profitable future in UK petrol retailing. Meanwhile, Texaco is seeking more retail outlets for the surplus produced from its Pembroke cracker plant. With such big competing forces at work, it is difficult to see how the OFT will rescue the small petrol retailer.

Prospects remain good even if EMU is delayed

rity gilts have done those invested in shorter maturities during 1997. For example, ten-year bond yields have fallen by 0.65 per cent, to 7.1 per cent, since January, which means the prices of these bonds have generally risen by about 5 per cent. However, three-year bond yields are only 0.35 per cent lower at 6.9 per cent, representing a typical price rise of much less than I per cent. This movement has been

based on the steps taken to give the UK a long-term low inflation economy. The centrepiece has been the placbase rate policy in the hands of the Bank of England (or, more exactly, the mone tary policy committee). The policy has to be set to meet the Government's inflation target of 25 per cent on the underlying measure. This target is not likely to rise as it is important for meeting the Maastricht criteria: the EU generally regards 1.5 to 2 per cent inflation as sufficient for price stability, and UK inflation is currently 1.6 per cent on an

EU-harmonised basis. Gordon Brown undoubtedly relaxed the target last week by charging the Bank to achieve underlying inflation of 2.5 per cent rather than 2.5 per cent or below. After all, under the old remit, an inflation rate of 1.5 per cent was deemed to be a success and 2.6 per cent a failure. With those rules it would have been logical for the committee to aim for inflation rather lower than 2.5 per cent. as a safeguard against any unforeseen inflation shocks" (for example, a sudden rise in commodity prices). As a consequence of last week's announcement inves-

tors became much more keen to buy short-dated bonds than longs. This is unusual for 1997, and unlikely to last for long. We think that the war against inflation will require another two base rate rises this year. The market is also inclined to the same view, judging by the prices of futures contracts on short interest rates. There is little profit potential in short-dated gilts.

GILT-EDGED

which are restricted by anticipation of the rate rises. However, long maturities have more scope for profit. The Government's commitment to low inflation is still to be fully priced in to longer-dated gilts, and gross yields of above 7 per cent are attractive in an environment of 2.5 per cent inflation (or even a little above). The Labour Party is further able to advertise economic probity on July 2 by announcing a fiscally tight

Budget The gilt funding outlook is also good - a lower borrowing requirement in 1997-98, plus a £3bn overfund from 1996-97, means that net gilt sales this year are set to be

we expect an official announcement in early July cancelling some of this year's planned gilt auctions. Any cancellations will help sentiment in longer-dated bonds, because the original funding plan (in March's Treasury Remit to the Bank) was to increase the percentage of conventional funding that would take place in over-15vear maturities. One of the gilt market's

main concerns at the moment is the outlook for monetary union. The French Socialists posturing over the stability pact injected some uncertainty and risk, particularly into those trades based on the expectation of a single currency. However, there is a strong political consensus in favour of monetary union in Europe; the timetable may change, and union may go ahead with a bigger group and slightly weaker conditions Germany may like, but the ultimate destination remains

In any case the good performance of gilts since the general election, compared to other more to do with the inflation outlook than the expectation of early EMU entry. Even if a delay to monetary union is announced, prospects remain good for longer-dated gilts, which should continue to do better than shorter maturities.

TELEVISION CHOICE

A green-fingered change

Having temporarily exhausted ideas for brightening up the house, the *Home Front* team moves into the garden. But there is not a plant or an Alan Titchmarsh in sight. The team sets out to transform a small town garden without recourse to flowers and shrubs. Those who have seen what Anne McKevitt and Kevin McCloud have done to house interiors in the past weeks will get the drift. Helped by a garden designer. Diarmuid Gavin, they apply the same decorating ideas outside as they have employed in. McCloud's use of mosaic on a pond and fountain is one flourish, but the on a point and todatants one notifies, but the biggest of the big ideas is an alfresco dining area which resembles a Beduin tent. The results are striking but you may be relieved it is not your garden they are making over.

Channel 4, 9.00pm

One in four of us suffers from insomnia and the medical profession is very far from finding a cure. Bernadette O'Farrell's film fleshes out this bleak bernateur Orarrens mm nesses out ints dear statement with three well-chosen case histories. Derek Layton, managing director of (ironically) a pharmaceutical company, is lucky to get three hours' sleep per night. He has a long drive to and from work and worries about dozing off at the wheel. His wife worries for him, a reminder that wheel. His whe workes for limit, a reminder data insomnia in one partner affects the other. Jane Billsborough, mother of four school-age children, wonders whether her inability to sleep goes back to the loss of a baby. Joe McCullogh, a retired miner, can only nod off for ten minutes at a time. As the increasingly describe the last the last the street treatments. increasingly desperate trio try the latest treatments we also meet celebrity insomniacs Derek Nimmo and Tony Blackburn. Nimmo suggests wallpapering.

Channel 4, 10.00pm The New York detectives are back for a new run, though the detective work seems increasing important than what happens to the cops off duty. There is a murder investigation to keep the learn busy but it is handled routinely, as if finding a body dumped on the street is nothing unusual.



Sleepless Jane Billsborough (C4, 9.00pm)

Even a gunman's attempt to fill the ample form of Detective Andy Sipowicz (Dennis Franzi with bullets somehow fails to involve. Only when, back home, Sipowicz becomes obsessive about his sick baby does the narrative come alive. Similarly, Andy Simone (Jimmy Smits) and Diane Russell (Kim Delaney) engage us less as detectives than as potential marriage partners. NYPD Blue is becoming as much soap opera as police series, though the gritty locations and restlessly panning camera continue to give the show its style.

Trial By Jury

BBC2, 11.15pm Three years ago television history was made when cameras were allowed into a Scottish courtroom to cover a murder trial. Now the same producer, Nick cameras were allowed into a solution to the convert a murder trial. Now the same producer, Nick Catiliff, brings us a murder case from England. But as filming is prohibited in English courts the crime has to be fictional, albeit with real lawyers playing the judge and barristers. The proceedings have an undeniable authenticity, though with the defendant and wimesses played by actors there is also an air of unreality. An episode of Kavanagh QC might have served just as well. That said, courtroom battles are perfect drama which rarely fail on television and the case of a 15-year-old boy charged with stabbing a stockbroker to death on a London train compels you to keep watching. Trial By Jury is being shown on three consecutive riights.

The trials involving Oscar Wilde in the 1890s are the background for this play, rather than its subject, although what happened to Wilde during his prosecution of the Marquess of Queensbury for

libel is inextricably bound up with much that happened afterwards. One of the tensions which makes the play effective is the paradox of growing freedom within the gay community accompanied by what amounted to a witch-hunt conducted that control that the control

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RADIO CHOICE

Laughing at the Learned Radio 3, 8,10pm

One of the truly great satirical statements was made by the American Tom Lehrer, who, upon hearing that Henry Kissinger had won the Nobel Peace Prize, announced that he was giving up saire on grounds of unfair competition. It was a classic satirical remark which lampooned a politician and an institution, but, as this programme deconstrates it is copic in product these that demonstrates, it is only in modern times that politicians have been the butt of most satire. The presenter is Penelope Corfield, a professor of history at the University of London, who manages in 20 minutes to cover the satirical ground from Chaucer to Private Eye, though quite whether that magazine is satirical in the strict sense is secretation and descript formatting and stricts. something academics frequently argue about.

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TALK RADIO

5,00am Chris Ashley and Sandy Wart 7.00 Paul Ross 9.00 Scott Chisholm 12.00 Lonaine Kelly 2.00pm Tommy Boyd 4.00 Pater Deeley 7.00 Anna Raeburn 19.00 James Whale 1.00am Mike Dickin

The Monday Play: Friends of Oscar

Radio 4, 7.45pm

WORLD SERVICE All times in BST. News on the hour, 6,00em Newsday 6,30 Europe Today 7,15 Twists of Nature 7,30 Oranibus 8,15 Off the Shelf 8,30 Virtuge Chart Show 9,10 Pause for Thought 9,15 Your Debage 10,05 Business 10,15 Visions of Reality 10,30 BBC English 10,45 Sport 11,30 Oranibus 12,30pm Jazzmstazz 1,05 Business 1,15 Britain 1,30 Seven Days 1,45 Sport 3,00 Newsborg 3,05 Oranibus 2,00 Seven Bays 1,45 Sport 3,00 Newsborg 3,05 Oranibus 2,00 Seven Bays 1,45 Sport 3,00 Newsborg 3,05 Oranibus 2,00 Seven Bays 1,45 Sport 3,00 Newsborg 3,05 Oranibus 2,00 Seven Bays 1,45 Sport 3,00 Newsborg 3,05 Oranibus 2,00 Seven Bays 1,45 Sport 3,00 Newsborg 3,05 Oranibus 2,00 Seven Bays 1,45 Sport 3,00 Newsborg 3,05 Oranibus 2,00 Seven Bays 1,45 Sport 3,00 Newsborg Jazzmeraz 1.06 Business 1.15 britain 1.30 Seven Lays 1.45 Sport 2.10 Newshour 3.05 Outlook 3.30 Pop Science 4.05 Sport 4.15 On Your Behalt 4.30 Hot New Country 5.00 Europe 5.30 Business 5.45 Britain Today 6.15 World Today 6.30 News in German 6.45 Sport 7.30 Counterpoint 8.01 Outlook 8.25 Pause for Thought 8.30 Multifrack 9.00 Newshour 10.05 Business 10.15 Britain 10.30 Hentage 11.30 World Today 11.45 Sport 12.05am Outlook 12.30 Multifrack 1.30 The Red Hills of Home 1,45 Britain 2.30 Seven Days 2.45 Dying Note 3.30 On Screen 4.05 Business 4.15 Sport 4.30 Europa

CLASSIC FM

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6,00mm On Air, with Andrew McGregor. Includes Mozart (Plano Quartet in G minor, K478): Hindenith (Symphonic Dances): Chopin (Polonaise-Fantaisse): Paul Patterson (Trumpet Concerto): Bech (Brandenburg Concerto No 3 In G. BW1048): Novak (Slovak Suite)

Morning Collection, with Peter Holoday Includes Mozart (Plano Sonata in C, KS45); Bach (Harpsichord Concerto in D minor); Rigatti (Salve (Harpsichord Concerto in D minor); Rigatti (Salve Regina); Stibelius (The Tempes); Sute No. 2)

10.00 Musical Encountiers, with Andrew Lyle, Includes Britten (Russian Funeral); Purcell (King Arthur); Vordi (Toi Qiu Sus le Neant, Don Carlos); Mozart (Serenade in D, K320, Posthorn); Barber (Desire for Hismitage); Rossini (Largo al Factofum, The Barber of Scylle); Elgar (Five Intermezs); Mozart (Martern Alter Artern, Die Entfuhrung aus dem Scrall), Marais (Sufe in D minor), Bax (Tartagel)

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5.15 in Time, with Jeremy Wicholas. Includes Suppe (Overtura, Pique Dame); C P.E. Bach (Symphony m E), Santi-Saëns (Violin Sonata No. 1 in D. minor, Co. 75)

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9.45 Ton Koopman in Lisbon. The second of three visits to Libbon Cathedral to hear organ recitals Today is programme features music by Budehude 10.00 Volces. To mark the 150th anniversary of Mendelssohn's death, the German soprano Sibylie Ehref precents a selection of his songs. She is accommended on the pipp by lain 8, arrests.

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11.30 Composer of the Week: Maurice Ravel (r)

11.30am Jazz Notes. Digby Fairweather presents the missic of Antonia Carlos Johan
 1.00 Through the Night, with Donald Macleod Includes 1.00 Carlotti Singer of the World 3.00 The Cherubin Quartet, with Tabea Zimmermann vola, and Juliane Banse soprano, performs music by Mozart, Schumann, Schoenberg and Brahms

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW) 6.00 News Briefing 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, includes Thought for the Day 8.40 Latters from Over Here. Raymond Setz, the former American ambassador to London, argues that America is volatife but content with its constitution, while Pritain is moderate and represente with while Britain is moderate and pragmatic yel constructional change

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7.20 The Food Programme. Another do into the cultrary world with Derek Cooper (s)
7.45 The Monday Play: Friends of Oscar, by Rod Dungate Starrary Jame Newall, Daniel Issaes an Jame: Dreytus. See Choice.
9.45 A Cry in the Dark, in this second of two programmes about right-time noise, Joanna Prinock, pitches her tent in north-eastern Greenland to hear the sounds of the Arctic after dark
18.00 The World Toploth, with James Newall.

10.00 The World Tonight, with Jeremy Harris.
10.45 Book at Bedtime: The Sandy Bottom
Orchestra, by Garrison Kealor and Jerny Lnd
Ntsson. Read by Yvorne Antrobus (6/10)

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11.00 Ballad of the Sad Caféa. The find programme in the four-part series about expatrate meeting places. By Bandole-Thomas visits a Nigerian cate in Credewood. North London (3/4) (r)

11.00 Education Matters (LW). David Waher presents the essential guide to the tearning world.

11.30 Today in Parliament (LW). A roundup of the day's curits in Westminster.

11.30 Firefly Summer (Fai). The final part of Jane Cascady's dramatisation of the novel by Miseve.

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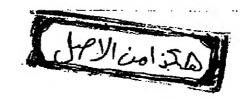
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(BBCI). The fact that until last night it coincided with Wokenwell: a feeling that Drovers' Gold is probably enough frontier television for any weekend, and a mild aversion to drama rooted so deeply in pathos and naivety. There. That's three — is that enough? BOT RYLL

But last night I did some catching up, and very enjoyable it proved too. Since Chloe and her daughters pitched their tent at Langton Fields all those weeks ago, much mud and misery has passed under the groundsheet and Saskia Reeves, who plays Chloe, has come up with 100 different ways of looking stoic in the face of fresh adversity. Last night, however, was different. She got kissed.
Let's face it, we have known she was going to get kissed right from episode one, when she discovered there was actually something rather nice lurking in the woodshed —

have a number of excuses for falling behind with Plotlands

the tall, dark and softly spoken Tom (Richard Lintern). Still, for all its predictability, it was worth waiting for. There were even violins

This being 1922 and before the watershed (not to be confused with the woodshed), the subsequent crescendo signalled no groans or bursting of buttons, but simply another kiss ... and then another. Nor was there anything remotely post-coital about the quieter, gentler passage that followed. There were simply chores to be done. "I've got to get back," explained Chloe, enabling Reeves to look stoic in the face of adversity number 101 - cooking for a party

when you'd rather be snogging. After a spot of Amish-like marquee-raising, the party - hosted by the unscrupulous Harry Crow-- went quite well until Billy Reed, the blind and very scary pawnbroker, found out what Crowley was up to, and the highly-

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strung Mrs Forster (Petra Markham) went off for a quick roll in the hay with a passing chauffeur.

The result of the former was a punch-up and the result of the latter, a tragedy. Understandably but perhaps unwisely given her well-established mental fragility, Mr Furster (Richard Cordery) told his wife that marrying him had been her worst mistake of all. Mrs Forster agreed and walked into a conveniently nearby lake for adversity number 102.

Jeremy Brock's sentimen-tal but impressively original creation. I discover there is only one more episode to go. Will Chloe get kissed again or will her violent and hitherto estranged husband return to claim his own, now he has been told where she is living? Could be a busy weekend for the man in the woodshed. Of course, the really big quesREVIEW

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No sex and violence, just snogs and violins



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tion for next weekend - and I write in a delicate whisper here is whether we'll get through it without a ... well, you know, a ... oh, very well, without a rectal examination. Suddenly they are the new dramatic device. Nine days ago Jonathan Creek couldn't get through his final episode without being told to lie on his side and bring his knees up to his chest. And on Saturday night it was

Warren Clarke's turn for the theatrical flourish of rubber gloves as Dalziel and Pascoe (BBC1) got under way. What on earth is going on at the BBC? Has there been a mass outbreak of prostate trouble among the ranks of the corporation's male, middle-class, middleaged middle management? I think we should be told ... but preferably not shown again. That apart, Dalziel and Pascoe

got off to an excellent start, confidently inhabiting the sort of not-quite-real world that Miss Marple would have recognised and that John Nettles had a stab at few months ago in The Midsomer Murders. These days the murders are brutally real, but as long as characters still produce such lines as "it doesn't seem possible in Thornton Lacey. It's such a quiet place ... or always used to be," we know we don't have to take them totally seriously. Malcolm Bradbury, who adapt-

ed from Reginald Hill's novel, got the tone just right. So too did Clarke, who, as Detective Superintendent Dalziel, not only looks and sounds like Les Dawson but seems to have borrowed some of his punch lines. "I don't like the sound of that cough," said his doctor in a pre-rubber-gloves encounter. "Sorry, it's the only one I've got." In short, he's the sort of man that calls a colleague's wife a "doxy" and an Asian constable "Gunga". In even shorter, he's a television

is sidekick, the newly promoted Detective Inspector Pascoe, is the expected contrast - young, university educated, career on a fast track. The sort of man who, when he says "do you know that a butterfly beating its wings in the Amazon can cause a hurricane in China?" receives the reply: "No, but you hum it and I'll join in."

told Patrick Ryecart that it wasn't all being played for laughs. He duly turned in an enjoyable but faintly preposterous performance rescued only by the fact that Anton Davenant, food writer and purvey-or of "old darlings", was actually Terence Arthur Dicks, distributor of stolen antiques. The murderer turned out to be somebody else but the plot had got some complicated by then, so I forget who.

Finally let us turn to The Other Half (BBC), Saturday), a game show hosted by the genial Dale Winton. In the rush to throw together the cannibalised components of its format (Blind Date, Mr and Mrs, Through the Key-hole) one vital fact has been overlooked. Guessing people's other halves is terribly, terribly easy. Three attempts on Saturday night and three correct answers.Can there really be a future in this? I very much fear there can.

BBCT 6.00em Business Breakfast (71697) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (T) (65719) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (5631448) 9.20 Cheggers' Challenge (3543332) 9.45 Kilroy (T) (9004719)

10.30 Ready, Steady, Cook (91245) 11.00 News (T); and weather (2085581) 11.05 Real Rooms (7992581) 11.30 The Great Escape (7622) 12.00 News (T); and weather (1625806) 12.05pm Call My Bluff (5754210) 12.35 Neighbours (4525326) 1.00 News (T) and weather (68806)

1.30 Regional News (15689697) 1.40 The Weather Show (36957516) 1.45 Quincy Jack Klugman stars (6118500) 2.35 Columbo (9624535) 3.45 Gloria's Time Off With... Weatherman

lan McCaskii (3671245) 4.00 Popeye (8430559) 4.10 Casper (9837142) 4.35 50/50, Last in series (8983806) 5.00 Newsround (1) (8605719) 5.10 Blue Peter: Stuart Miles takes on Tim Henman (T) (7355622)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (T) (863581) 6.00 News (T) and weather (535) 6.30 Regional News Magazine (887) 7.00 Sig Break Jim Davidson hosts the hot-

politing snooker game, with Graham Miles joining veterans John Spencer and Rex Williams (T) (9622) 7.30 Mastermind Hosted by Magnus Magnusson from the Great Hall,

Blenheim Palace. Tonight's specialist subjects are Star Trek, the Irish Civil War of 1922, the life and music of Prokofley and organic gardening (T) (871)

8.00 EastEnders Grant and Tiffany look to the future with baby Courtney (T) (2142) 8.30 The Peter Principle (3/8) Bank manager

Peter goes to drastic lengths to get his performance bonus (T) (4177) 9.00 News (T); Regional News and weather

9.30 Birds of a Feather Chris and Darryl find it tough adjusting to life on the outside (T)

commuters recount horror stories of their struggle to travel around the capital, Panorama asks it the new Labour Government will reinvest in the Tube network to stop the system falling farther into disrepair (T) (254719) 10.40 The Other Side of Murder (1991) with

Richard Chambertain, Michael Learned, Denis Hearnes and Zeljko Ivanek. Drama based on a real event. Two members of a wealthy family interrupt an armed robbery, which leaves one dead and the other fighting for his life. Directed by Germ Jordan (T) (86487448)

12.15am The Return of Ellot Ness (1991) Robert Stack reprises his TV role as tough FBI operative Eliot Ness, who comes out of retirement when an old colleague is shot by a mobster. Also with Charles Domling, Lisa Hartman, Jack Coleman and Philip Bosco. Directed by James Contner (T) (611017)

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7.15 See Hear Breakfast News (T and signing) (1941603)

7.30 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (6793697) 7.55 Blue Peler (r) (T) (2058158) 8.20 Brum (5263185) 8.35 Raccoons (2608974)

9.00 A Passion for Angling (r) (T) (3507264) 9.50 Don't Be an Anoraki (r) (2637413) 10.00 Teletubbies (29429) 10.30 Mary of Scotland (1936, b/w) John

Ford's historical drame chronicling the reign of Mary Queen of Scots. With Katharine Hepbum (88968) 12.30pm Working Lunch (37581) 1.00 Johnson and Friends (10318719) 1.15

Why Men Die Younger (r) (T) (8685806) 1.55 Sister Kenny (1946, b/w) Rosalind Russell as a nurse who develops a treatment for polio. Directed by Dudley treatment for polio. Directed by Dudley Nichols (45783332)

3.55 News (1) 4.00 Blockbusters (3044974) 4.25 Ready, Steady, Cook (3047061) 4.55 Esther (5167245) 5,30 Today's the

6.00 The Simpsons (1) (974697) 6.20 The Ren and Stimpy Show (978413) 6.45 Cardiff Singer of the World Highlights from the first concert (936448)

7.30 Computers Don't Bite: The Beginner's Guide Pensioners learn how to use computers and train drivers put their software packages to the test. Plus, protecting children from Internet pomography. Last in series (T) (413) 8.00 Top Gear Motorsport Till Needell

challenges young drivers at Brands Hatch. Plus; British rallycross championship action (T) (9564)



8.30 Home Front In the Garden Kevin McCloud and Anne McKevitt take their interior design skills outdoors (T) (2719)

9.00 The Vicar of Dibley (r) (1) (1671) 9.30 Tales from the Riverbank: Slipperv Characters in the last of the series, Don

Goodwin talks about eels (T) (20245) 10.00 Game On Last in series (r) (T) (18968) 10.30 Newsnight (T) (214351)

11.15 Trief by Jury Fictional murder trief drama using real barristers, a senior judge and a jury of ordinary man and women, shown over three consecutive nights (443581) 11.55 Weather (408806)

12.00 The Midnight Hour (29098)

12.30am Learning Zone: OU: Art in 14thcentury Florence 1.30 Serieant Musgrave at the Court 2.00 Science 4.00 Italia 2000 4.30 Royal Institution Discourse 5.30-6.00 RCN Nursing

6.00am GMTV (9403535) 9.25 Supermarket Sweep (r) (T) (3551351) 9.55 Regional News (T) (4172784)

10.00 The Time, the Place (43055) 10.30 This Morning (T) (65699264) 12.20pm Regional News (T) (1614790) 12.30 News (T) and weather (4617351)

12.55 The Pulse (T) (4529142) 1.25 Home and Away (T) (90722413) 1.50 Side Effects (r) (2762457) 2.40 Quinn Medicine Woman (2/2) (7547968)

3.20 News (T) (3877448) 3.25 Regional News (T) (3876719)

3.30 Caribou Kitchen (3687806) 3.40 Tols TV (8533887) 3.50 Cartoon Time (3959852) 3.55 Where's Wally (7074351) 4.25 Woolf (9923993) 4.50 The Big Bang 5.10 World of Wonder (r) (8592516)

5.40 News (T) and weather (119887) 5.57 Pollen Count (504852) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (1) (880784) 6.25 HTV Weather (862993) 6.30 The West Tonight (T) (555) 7.00 Wheel of Fortune (T) (4790) 7.30 Coronation Street Judy and Gary ponder their luture (T) (239)



Murpoet Dave sits it out (8,00pm)

8.00 World in Action A report on the tunnellers under the site of Manchester airport's second runway (T) (7210) 8.30 Turner Round the World Anthea Turner

reports live from a mystery location, with the trip of a lifetime in store for the first lewer to guess where she is (9245) 9.00 Bramwell Eager to impress Alice, Robert Bramwell decides to set up a Harley

Street practice (T) (2239) 10,00 News (T) and weather (37662) 10.30 Regional News (T) (474429) 10.39 Polien Count (743061)

10.40 West of England Business Awards The Nationwide Building Society, Dyson trophy (495784)

11.15 Hexed (1983) with Arye Gross, Claudia Christian and Adrienne Shelly. Comedy about a hotel clerk emberking on a series about a hotel clerk embarking on a series of crazy adventures after meeting a beautiful, world-tamous model. Directed by Alan Spencer (963390)

12.40am Without Her Consent (1990) with Melissa Gilbert, Scott Valentine and Barry Melissa Gilbert, Scott Valennne and Dairy
Tubb. Fact-based drama about a man who takes the law into his own hands when the police fail to prosecute the man who raped his girlfriend. Directed by Sandor Stern (336217)

2.30 Club Nation (r) (T) (13494) 3.30 God's Gift (r) (85611) 4.30 World in Action (r) (T) (41475) 5.00 Coronation Street (r) (T) (29765) 5.30 News (17253)

As HTV West except: 12.55pm-1.25 A Country Practice (4529142)

1.50 Blue Heelers (5144516) 2.50-3.20 High Road (2309719)

5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (8592516) 6.25-7.00 Central News (148581) 10.40 Warrior Breed (123264)

11.10 The DFS Classic (645852) 12.10 Alfred Hitchcock Presents (8787982) 12.40 War of the Worlds (7878524) 1.35 Late and Loud (2192475)

2.35 Real Stories of the Highway Patrol 3.00 Film: How to Murder a Millionaire

(891920) 4.35 Central Jobfinder '97 (5575253) 5.20 Asian Eye (4225185)

WESTCOUNTRY As HTV West except:

12.55 Home and Away (4529142) 1.25 High Road (23097697) 1.55 Murder, She Wrote (5152535)

2.50-3.20 Westcountry Update (2309719) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (8592516) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (49326) 10.30 Westcountry News (385581) 10.45 The View from Here (403513)

11.45 Prisoner: Cell Block H (905351) MERIDIAN

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2.20-3.20 Blue Heelers (5279264) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (8592516) 6.00 Meridian Tonight (603) 6.30-7.00 Summer Getaways (555)

10.30 Meridian News and Weather (385581) 10.45 The Pier (285564) 11.15 Go Fishing (543784)

11,45 Swift Justice (905351) 5.00am Freescreen (29765)

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11.40 Highlander (622516)

Starts: 6.00am Sesame Street (60535) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (58429) 9.00 Bewitch (15871) 9.30 Yegotlon (549871) 12.00 Members Only (87185) 12.30pm Montel Williams (35177) 1.00 Slot Meithrin (1030387) 1.15 Smot y Cl (10228142) 1.30 Film: Wuthering Heights (45602413) 3.25 Fresh Pop (3867061) 3.30 Collectors' Lot (531) 4.00 Fifteen-to-One (968) 4.30 Garden Party (852) 5.00 5 Pump (8698429) 5.10 Ffeli (3439968) 5.30 Countdown (332) 6.00 Newyddion (404413) 6.05 Heno (964790) 6.35 Sion a Sian (773065) 7.00 Pobol y Cwm (191531) 7.25 Y Byd Ar Bedwar (356448) 8.00 Clurb Garddlo (5852) 8.30 Newsyddion (7887) 9,00 O Flaen Dy Lygald (3581) 10.00 Sgorio (3968) 11.00 Planet Showbiz (8784) 11.30 NBA Finals (81177) 12.30am-1.30 Henry V at

the Globe (33949) 4.00 Ysgolion (3570494)

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9.00 Bewitched (T) (15871) 9.30 Schools: Geography Junction 9.45 Book Box 10.00 , Stage Two Science 10.15 School at Work 10.20 Off the Walls 10.40 The English Programme 11.05 Encyclopedia Galactic 11.15 The Mix 11.30 Rat-a-Tat-Tat 11.45 Living and

Growing (T) (549871) 12.00 Members Only (r) (7) (87185) 12.30pm Caroline in the City (r) (T) (35177) 1.00 Springhill (r) (23183488) 1.25 Australia

2.00 Time Gentlemen Please (1952, b/w) with Eddie Byrne, Jane Barrett and Robert Brown A tramp causes problems

for a village expecting a visit from the Prime Minister (T) (70061) 3.30 Collectors' Lot (T) (531) 4.00 Fifteen-to-One (T) (968) 4.30 Counidown (T) (6977245) 4.55 Montel Williams (T) (5089413) 5.30 Pet Rescue (r) (T) (332)

6.00 Home improvement it Jill manages to convince Mark that wearing glasses can

6.30 Hollyoaks (T) (697) 7.00 Channel 4 News (T) (642142)
7.50 Today in Wymott Prison First of four delly films of life inside Wymott prison in Lancashire Beginning with a day in the life of a prisoner (T) (677852)

8.00 Dosh A guide to making the most of your best mortage deals around and how to avoid being gazumped. Plus: why classic cars make good investments (3/8) (T)

8,30 Absolutely Animals Wendy Turner takes a look at hunters during the annual bird staughter in Maita, discovers wild boar on the loose in Kent, and learns to house train rabbris (T) (7887)

9.00 insomnia The lives of three people who suffer habitual sleeplessness (T) (3581)



Franz, Delaney and Smits (10.00pm)

10.00 NYPD Blue A new series of the American police drama. With Dennis Franz, Kim Delaney and Jimmy Smits (T) (887061)

10.55 Cheers The Cheers team are determined to beat Gary's Old Tyme Tavem in a drinking competition (r) (1) (647210) 11.30 NBA Finals Utah Jazz v Chicago Bulls

(81177) 12.30am Hammett (1982) with Frederic Forest, Peter Boyle and Marilu Henner.
Fictionalised account of the life of the thriller writer set in 1920s San Francisco. Directed by Wim Wenders (536235)

2.20 Broadway Stories (r) (T) (7989630) 2.50 The Heroin Wars (r) (T) (6183611) 3.50 Pat and Mat (78586185) 4.00 Schools (3710814) 5.15 Backdate (T) (81982)

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6.00am 5 News Early (9759513)

7.30 Havakazoo (3270871) 8.00 Adventures of the Bush Patrol (8489871) 8.30 WideWorld Manchester Town Hell, a splendid piece of Victorian architecture

9.00 Espresso (8193018) 10.00 Exclusivel (1382239) 10.30 Attractions (r) (8571806) 11.00 Leeza (1785974) 11.50 Double Espresso (29890121) **12.00** The Bold and the Beautiful (1) (8562158) **12.30pm** Family Aflairs (r) (T) (8529789)

1.00 5 News Update (T) (52720177) 1.05 Sunset Beach (T) (9556413) 2.00 5's

Company (8103413)
3.30 Side by Side (1988) with Milton Berle,
Sid Caesar and Danny Thomas. Comedy
about three old men who set up a sportswear company for senior citizens. Directed by Jack Bender (1150974)

5.20 5's Company: Late Extra (99675326) 5.30 100 Per Cent (7047993)

6.00 Whittle Audience participation quiz with Tim Vine (T) (7044806)

6.30 Family Affairs Annie is still wary about the relationship between Chris and Diane 7.00 Exclusive! Showbiz news with Jonothan

Coleman, Julia Bradbury and Jason Roberts (6191993) 7.30 Land of the Lion: Triumph of Eagles Documentary on the fish eagles of Lake Malawi (r) (T) (7951142)

8.00 Hot Property Sandy Mitchell helps a young Asian couple to move out of rented accommodation and into their own house

(T) (6004413) 8.30 5 News (T) (6196448)



Leading man John Travolta (9.00pm

9.00 Perfect (1985) with John Travolta, Jamle Les Curtis and Marilu Henner. While trying to write an expose of the health clubs of Los Angeles, a reporter becomes involved with a ternale serobics instructor. Directed by James Bridges

11.00 The Jack Docherty Show with guests Barry McGuigan and Famke Jannsen (6902887)

11.45 We Know Where You Live (5714061) 12.15am Live and Dangerous Live sports magazine hosted by Helen Chambetlain and Jeremy Nicholas. Includes at 2.00 Xtreme Sports (92451765)

4.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H (3268920) 5.30 100 Per Cent (r) (6197433)

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1.45 Weather (6601272)

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6.00pm Baby Boom (1967) (238507) 7.50 . The Devil's Brigade (1968) [77499121] 10.00 Casualties of Wor (1969) (6850564) 12.00 The Killers (1969) (6870369) 1.35em Bloodhounds of Broadway (1969) (66502291) 3.05 The Day the Earth Stood Still (1957) [2620272] 4.40 Mondaray Pop (1968) (59050503)

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BUSINESS EDITOR Patience Wheatcroft

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DIY form will bring taxman £150m bonus, say experts

SELF-ASSESSMENT, the new tax system affecting 8.5 million people who receive tax returns, will deliver a windfall bonus of at least £150 million to the Government, experts predict, because of fines levied for late payment and non-compliance. Tax experts dismiss as far too low than 15 per cent of tax returns will be sent in after the deadline of January 31, 1998, thereby incurring an automatic £100 penalty, plus

interest on the tax due. Bob Brown, a former senior Inland Revenue tax investigator now working for Ernst & Young, the accountant, says: "The real figure is likely to be more than 15 per cent, which will deliver a net

and penalties of up to £150 million." Neil Bradley, director of Tax Aid. a self-assessment tax return com-

£150 million is a conservative estimate. "Inland Revenue staff at our local tax offices in north Staffordshire say that 60 per cent to 70

per cent of returns sent back so

pletion service, said: "I think even

gain to the Exchequer in interest far are wrong. Self-assessment is a can of worms."

Clive Brooke, joint general secretary of the Public Service Tax and Commerce Union, which represents 50,000 Revenue staff, said: "Some research suggests that the fines and interest could even reach £500 million. Come January 31, we are going to have a riot on our hands." However, Dawn Primarolo, Fin-

has dismissed such predictions as But we are concerned that the scaremongering by accountants hoping to drum up business from

worried taxpayers.
In response, John Whiting, of the Chartered Institute of Taxation. said: "We have studiously avoided scaremongering. There are mis-takes being made on both sides, as we would expect with such a

ancial Secretary to the Treasury, radical change to the tax system. Revenue still plans to enforce its penalty regime rigidly despite this.

"We are asking for a kind of amnesty in the first year while people adjust to the new system."

A Revenue spokesman said: "We have no intention at the moment of granting an amnesty. We do not want to fine people and we are

doing everything in our power to help people to fill in the forms correctly.

The spokesman said that about 800,000 tax forms had been sent back so far, with only 5 per cent having to be returned because they had not been filled in properly. The number having to be corrected by the Revenue was also within the 35 per cent estimate, he said.

NU investors face cutbacks on extra shares

THOUSANDS of members and investors who applied for extra Norwich Union shares will receive far fewer than they requested after enormous demand in advance of today's float, evoking comparisons to hugely popular issues of the Eighties.

Institutions will be particu-larly hungry for stock after their part of the share offer was more than ten times oversubscribed. A number of predators, including AMP of Australia, are expected to start building up holdings.

The price of shares allocated through the pre-flotation public offer was set yesterday at 290p. although qualifying members will have to pay only 265p.

The price is at the top of the range suggested by the insurbeforehand. Norwich Union said yesterday that it had considered a higher price. but decided with Kleinwort Benson, the principal adviser, that 290p represented fair value. The shares are now expected to open well above 300p when trading starts to-

day and could top 350p. Demand from members for they received as a "windfall" payment was nearly four times greater than the amount available. A total of 766,000 applications were received after Norwich's high-profile advertising campaign. Members wanted to buy £4.65 billion of shares at the bargain price when only £1.2 billion worth were available. The average application size was about £6,000.

Preference in the institutional allocations went to those that looked to be long-term investors. They were allocated 402 million shares with a value of E1.17 billion.

Allan Bridgewater, chief ex-ecutive, said that the response to the offer had been tremendous. He added: "We have tried to look after the smaller member and be very fair." Applications from any party for up to £1,500 of stock will be

Beyond that point, applicants will receive fewer shares

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Amount applied for	Percentage allocation	
£1,500	100	
\$2,000	78	
£2,500	64	
£3.000	54	
£4,000	42	
£5,000	36	
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bers who sought the maximum £100,000 of shares will be allowed 9 per cent of their request by value. Those who bought in the public offer, such as institutions, will receive the same percentage allocation as members.

than they requested, on a

variable scale. Those mem-

Norwich Union said that 77 per cent of its share capital would be held by members on flotation, taking into account the 1.3 billion free shares that have been allocated to 2.9 million qualifying members. The offer price values the minimum windfall payment of 150 shares at £435.

The insurer said that 40 per cent of UK members had chosen to put their shares into a Norwich Union share account, with 10 per cent opting for a single-company personal

Members who have not applied for extra stock were posted account statements and share certificates last Friday and should be able to sell today. Those who tried to buy more should be sent statements, certificates and any cheque refunds on Friday.

gave a warning to investors of the danger of selling before they had been sent confirmation of their allocation.

The insurer is almost certain to be admitted to the FTSE 100 list of companies in September, heightening demand from institutions this summer. The float is costing £120 million, including printing and postage costs and the creation of new life companies



Nationwide under siege from thousands of carpetbaggers

By NATHAN YATES AND ADAM JONES

THE Nationwide Building So-tomers or raise minimum the board election, asks mem-that demutualisation would week for an appointment to

open a savings account. The society has been deluged by applications after speculation that it might be taken over or convert to a bank, entitling members to a windfall payment. On one day last week, 25,000 new ac-

counts were opened. However, a Nationwide spokesman yesterday said that the society does not plan to close accounts to new cusdeposit levels, in spite of being bers not to vote for five rebel damage customers' interests.

The society will today announce that it is refusing to raise its mortgage lending rates in line with competitors in spite of the recent quarterpoint rise in base rates. It said the decision to keep its rate at 7.35 per cent showed the

benefits of mutual status. Nationwide will also send out a plea for support to its 3.5 million members today. The mailshot, which will be included with ballot papers for

mined to force through a

conversion to plc status. The move comes amid fears that the pro-conversion candidates, led by seasoned "carpetbagger" Michael Hardern. may be heading for shock victory in the ballot. The dissidents, who have sent out 25,000 free Carpetbaggers' Guides to Nationwide members, say they are confident of a landslide in their favour.

Mr Hardern rejected claims

fits from better borrowing or

saving rates under mutuality. Nationwide voting forms must be returned by July 22. and results will be announced at the annual meeting on July 24.

cy which benefits only the top

few per cent of building society

members," he said. He added that the estimated payout of

more than EI,000 per member from the flotation of the society

would far outweight any bene-

Yorkshire TV revolt is waning

A SHAREHOLDER revolt in Yorkshire-Tyne Tees Television over the E710 million bid by Granada seems to be fizzling out. Many sharehold-£11.75-a-share offer, including Mercury Asset Management, which owns 4.9 per cent and bought many shares at close to E12. However, Mercury insiders said it "has no intention" of rejecting the offer.

The other logical suitor for YTTT is United News & Media, with 14 per cent. It has shown no wish to bid. Lord Hollick, United chief executive, dismissed reports that it is in merger talks with Granada.

UK 'has room for more big stores'

By Sarah Cunningham

SUPERMARKETS are set to receive a boost this week as new research suggests that Britain needs more of them.

A report by Gmap, the retailing consultants, says that contrary to popular belief, the large supermarket groups are nowhere near to saturating Britain. While Herefordshire, Cheshire and Tayside rank as Britain's "most saturated" areas, other places, including inner London, Cambridge shire and South Yorkshire, have plenty of room for new

Strict rules on building out of town means that Tesco, J Sainsbury, Safeway and Asda, the big supermarket

IN a heated row at the Paris

Air Show yesterday, Boeing

demanded an apology from

Airbus over allegations that its

merger with McDonnell Doug-

las was the result of a conspira-

cy to dominate the world

Jean Pierson, Airbus manag-

ing director, said McDonnell

had deliberately cancelled air-

craft programmes and scut-

tled government contracts to

undermine its own commercial

viability. He alleged that this would force the US Govern-

ment to waive anti-trust objec-

tions to its merger with Boeing. M Pierson said: "Recent

statements by the management

of Boeing leave no doubt to a

long-lasting strategy imple-mented with McDonnell's ac-

tive complicity." He alleged

aviation market.

groups, will have to concentrate on building smaller stores on high streets and in rural areas, says Professor Martin Clarke, the author of the research.

He also points out that none of the big four groups is yet truly national in scope, and that local battles are likely as each seeks to acquire the remaining regional brands. Meawnhile, the Fabian So-

ciety today calls for the Government to have a rethink on retailing. It says that out-of-town planning rules should be reviewed to balance consumer and employment interests environmental

Dogfight at the air show

that McDonnell cancelled its

MD-XX aircraft programme

and its joint bid with British

Aerospace for the Joint Strike

Fighter, the military aircraft

project, to prepare the ground

for the \$13 billion merger.

Boeing strongly denied the

allegations, Ron Woodard, the

president of the commercial

aircraft division, said:

Pierson is getting paranoid.

The conspiracy theory is com-

Courtaulds plant for **Singapore**

COURTAULDS is close to finalising plans to build a huge new plant for the production of Tencel, its new fashion fabric, in Singapore (Patience Wheatcroft writes). Analysts believe the move is very important for Court-aulds future profit growth.

made from cellulose, is rising. According to Courtaulds, Marks & Spencer has sold £75 million of Tencel garments this season, against its forecasts of £50 million.

Demand for Tencel, which is

The material is made in the United States, but a UK plant is under construction in Grimsby and is due to come on-stream towards the end of

plete lunacy. He ought to

apologise. I hope it doesn't

come to a trade war over this."

confident the merger will not be rejected by US and EU authorities, which are set to

Airbus also launched two

new A340 aircraft for the year

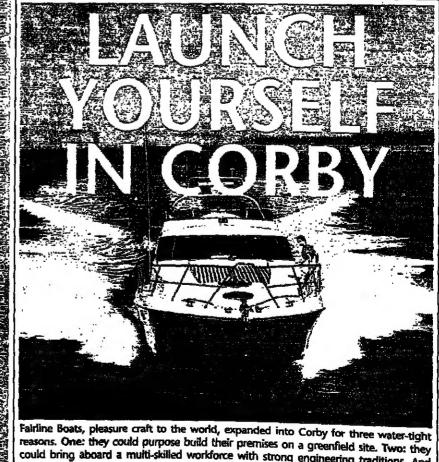
2002. The A340-500 and A340-

600, will be powered by Rolls-

Royce Trent 500 engines.

rule by early July.

Mr Woodard said he is



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Heavy turbulence: Airbus launched attack on Boeing